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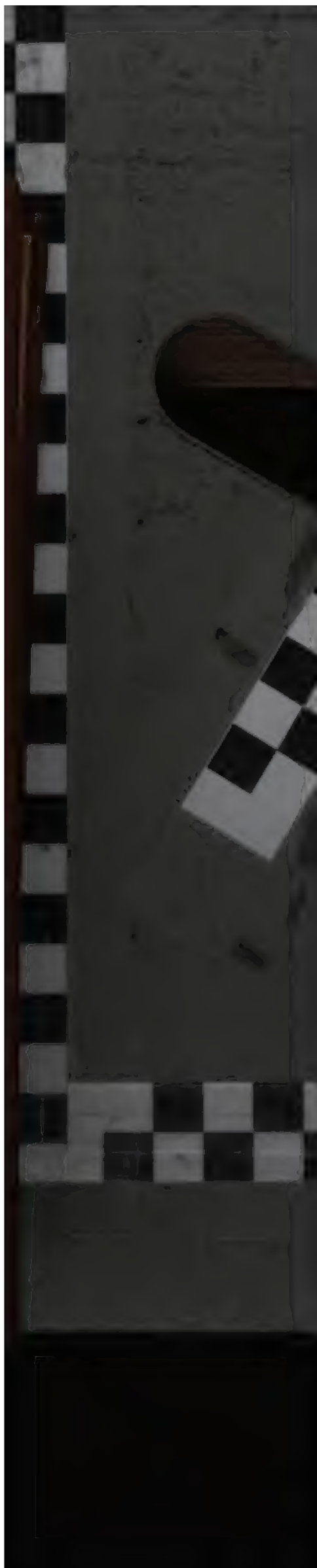
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On motion of Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, —

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to enforce the observance of the 1st Section of Canon 12, Title II., of the Digest.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution, together with the Section of the Canon referred to, be printed upon the cover of the Journal.

Title II., Canon 12, Section 1.

A communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removed shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

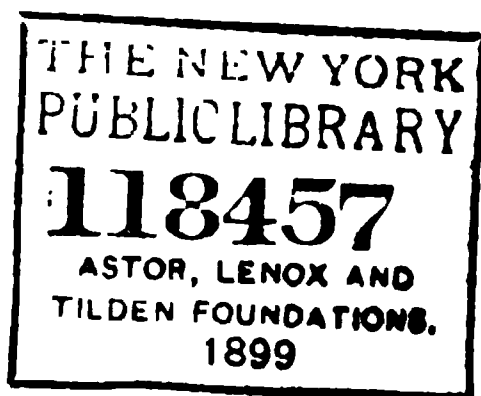
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Wednesday, May 18, 1881.

THIS being the day appointed for the ninety-first annual meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, the BISHOP and several of the clergy and lay delegates assembled in the chapel of Trinity Church, Boston, at nine o'clock, A. M.

The BISHOP called the Convention to order, and offered the Lord's Prayer, and the prayer for meetings of Convention.

The SECRETARY then called over the list prepared by the BISHOP, of all clergymen in the diocese entitled to *seats* and *votes* in the Convention, as follows (those not present are printed in *italics*) : —

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D.

The Rev. Edward Abbott.

" *Alex. V. G. Allen, D. D.*
" Frederick B. Allen.
" Henry F. Allen.
" Augustine H. Amory.
" Daniel G. Anderson.
" Charles Arey, D. D.
" Arthur M. Backus.
" Leonidas B. Baldwin.
" *Arthur H. Barrington.*
" William S. Bartlet.
" George S. Bennitt.
" Frank H. Bigelow.
" Nathan K. Bishop.
" Levi Boyer.
" John C. Brooks.
" Phillips Brooks, D. D.
" Wm. Henry Brooks, D. D.
" *Abbott Brown.*
" Belno A. Brown.

The Rev. Percy Browne.

" George H. Buck.
" Frederick Burgess.
" *John T. Burrill.*
" Henry Burroughs, D. D.
" *Hiram Carleton, D. D.*
" A. St. John Chambré, D. D.
" William F. Cheney.
" Jos. H. Clinch, S. T. D.
" George S. Converse.
" *Benjamin F. Cooley.*
" J. I. T. Coolidge, D. D.
" Louis DeCormis.
" Jeremiah J. Cressey.
" Malcolm Douglass, D. D.
" Edward L. Drown.
" George W. Durell.
" Theodore Edson, D. D.
" James S. Ellis.
" *Samuel M. Emery, D. D.*

The Rev. Thomas F. Fales.
 " H. Warren Fay.
 " Justin Field.
 " P. Voorhees Finch.
 " Henry L. Foote.
 " James P. Franks.
 " Walter R. Gardner.
 " Benjamin R. Gifford.
 " Edwin W. Gould.
 " Charles C. Grafton.
 " Andrew Gray.
 " George Z. Gray, D. D.
 " Lewis Green.
 " Edward M. Gushee.
 " Arthur C. A. Hall.
 " Frank S. Harraden.
 " William R. Harris.
 " Jesse E. Heald.
 " Joseph W. Hill.
 " William R. Hooper.
 " Nicholas Hoppin, D. D.
 " Reginald H. Howe.
 " Henry N. Hudson.
 " Geo. P. Huntington.
 " Wm. R. Huntington, D. D.
 " Charles L. Hutchins.
 " Joseph Jenks.
 " D'Estaing Jennings.
 " John A. Jerome.
 " Alfred E. Johnson.
 " Reuben Kidner.
 " B. B. Killikelly.
 " Thomas R. Lambert, D. D.
 " Arthur Lawrence.
 " William Lawrence.
 " Charles H. Learoyd.
 " Henry Mackay.
 " L. C. Manchester.
 " William McGlathery.

The Rev. Nathan W. Munroe.
 " William H. Munroe.
 " W. W. Newton.
 " Thomas W. Nickerson.
 " Edward W. Osborne.
 " George E. Osgood.
 " Charles J. Palmer.
 " Leighton Parks.
 " J. Sturgis Pearce.
 " Joshua R. Peirce.
 " George J. Prescott.
 " Augustus Prime.
 " Charles H. Proctor.
 " Charles A. Rand.
 " Edward A. Rand.
 " L. W. Saltonstall.
 " James A. Sanderson.
 " Sumner U. Shearman.
 " Henry J. Sheridan.
 " George W. Shinn.
 " Charles L. Short.
 " Edmund F. Slafter.
 " Emelius W. Smith.
 " James F. Spalding.
 " Samuel S. Spear.
 " Peter H. Steenstra.
 " Langdon C. Stewardson.
 " John S. Stone, D. D.
 " Leonard K. Storrs.
 " George A. Strong.
 " George Walker.
 " James B. Wasson.
 " William G. Wells.
 " John C. Welwood.
 " Charles Wingate.
 " J. Frank Winkley.
 " William C. Winslow.
 " John Wright.

The following list comprises those who are entitled to *seats*, but not to *votes*:—

The Rev. William J. Alger.
 " Daniel J. Ayers.
 " W. R. Babcock, D. D.
 " Samuel R. Bailey.

The Rev. Eli H. Canfield, D. D.
 " Nathan H. Chamberlain.
 " Henry E. Cotton.
 " Charles W. Duffield.

The Rev. *William T. Fitch.*

" *F. A. Foxcroft.*

" *Frederick Freeman.*

" *David G. Haskins, S. T. D.*

" *Osgood E. Herrick.*

" *Sam. Hollingsworth, S. T. D.*

" *Albin B. Jennings.*

" *William F. Lhoyd.*

" *Henry A. Metcalf.*

" *George S. Paine.*

" *Edmund B. Palmer.*

The Rev. G. W. Porter, D. D.

" *D. S. C. M. Pctter.*

" *Samuel R. Slack.*

" *Carlos Slafter.*

" *Orlando F. Starkey.*

" *Edward H. True.*

" *Treadwell Walden.*

" *Julius H. Ward.*

" *Julius H. Waterbury.*

" *John L. Watson, D. D.*

" *George R. Wheelock.*

The SECRETARY then called over the names of parishes in union with the Convention.

The names of Lay Delegates who were not present during the session are printed in *italics*.

AMESBURY, ST. JAMES'S.

AMHERST, GRACE.

ANDOVER, CHRIST.

Abraham Marland.

Horace H. Tyer.

George H. Poor.

ASHFIELD, ST. JOHN'S.

Moses Cook.

Charles A. Hall.

George R. Pearl.

BEVERLY, ST. PETER'S.

John Dyson Lovett.

Charles Trumbull.

Charles Austin Kilham.

BOSTON, ADVENT.

George C. Shattuck, M. D.

Edward N. Perkins.

John P. Tarbell.

BOSTON (DOR.), ALL SAINTS'.

Henry M. Snell.

Joseph M. Churchill.

Henry W. Emmons.

BOSTON, CHRIST.

John Fox.

Thomas Mair.

Daniel Byron.

BOSTON, EMMANUEL.

Enoch R. Mudge.

George P. Denny.

Francis B. Ellison.

BOSTON, GOOD SHEPHERD.

Royal C. Graves.

John Holmes.

Robert H. Richards.

BOSTON, MESSIAH.

Causten Browne.

William Babson.

Roderick Richardson.

BOSTON (HIGHL'DS), ST. JAMES'S.

Atherton Thayer Brown.

Henry Emmons.

Danforth Comstock Hodges.

BOSTON (CHS'N), ST. JOHN'S.

George N. Fisher.

Edgar Donald Lacy.

George Benjamin Neal.

BOSTON (HIGHL'DS), ST. JOHN'S.

Frank H. Beebe.

Henry B. Mackintosh.

Richard Garrey.

BOSTON (J. PLAIN), ST. JOHN'S.

Frank W. Reynolds.

John W. McKim.

John M. Hagar.

BOSTON (EAST), ST. JOHN'S.

George H. Plummer.

William A. Parker, U. S. N.

Edmund Cullen.

BOSTON (BR.), ST. MARGARET'S.

Theodore T. S. Laidley.
John Hubbard Sturgis.
Donald Black.

BOSTON (DOR.), ST. MARY'S.

John P. Clapp.
 Daniel Baxter Stedman, Jr.
Samuel R. Phillips.

BOSTON, ST. MARY FOR SAILORS.**BOSTON (S.), ST. MATTHEW'S.**

Henry W. Nelson.
 Ira W. Hill.
 J. Morton Clinch.

BOSTON, ST. PAUL'S.

Charles R. Train.
 Henry A. Turner.
Joseph A. Bubier.

BOSTON, TRINITY.

Stephen G. Deblois.
 John C. Ropes.
 Benjamin F. Nourse.

BRIDGEWATER, TRINITY.**BROOKLINE, ST. PAUL'S.**

Thomas Parsons.
 Henry S. Chase.
 Mortimer C. Ferris.

CAMBRIDGE, CHRIST.

Samuel Batchelder.
 Francis C. Foster.
 Lucius L. Hubbard.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. JAMES'S.

Charles R. Woods.
Albert S. Pillsbury.
 Luke Henry Whitney.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. PETER'S.

Edward R. Cogswell.
William W. Dallinger.
James A. Fox.

CHELSEA, ST. LUKE'S.

Gilbert M. Golding.
Edward P. Connor.
Jesse Briggs.

CHICOPEE, GRACE.**CLINTON, GOOD SHEPHERD.**

Henry Nelson Bigelow.
 Chauncey Lee Sheldon Hammond.
George Washington Bascom.

DANVERS, CALVARY.

John R. Fuller.
J. F. Fuller.
 Benjamin R. Tibbetts.

DEDHAM, ST. PAUL'S.

Ira Cleveland.
Thomas L. Wakefield.
 Erastus Worthington.

DEDHAM, GOOD SHEPHERD.

E. L. Frothingham, Jr.
Joshua Graham.
 William Bedell Welch.

EASTHAMPTON, ST. PHILIP'S.**FALL RIVER, ASCENSION.**

Borden Chace.
 Walter C. Durfee.
William L. Winslow.

FISKDALE, GRACE.

George Henry Sparhawk.
 John Hendron Harrison.

FITCHBURG, CHRIST.

Dennis Fay.
 William T. Grinnell.
Frederic A. Currier.

FRAMINGHAM, ST. JOHN'S.

Arthur C. Blanchard.
Lemuel S. Hastings.
 W. Frank Hurd.

GLOUCESTER, ST. JOHN'S.

William Babson.
George Grier.
Frederick T. Hall, Jr.

GT. BARRINGTON, ST. JAMES'S.**GREENFIELD, ST. JAMES'S.**

Chester Cook Conant.
 Charles Reed Field.
 Frederick Lewis Greene.

HANOVER, ST. ANDREW'S.

Lemuel Cushing Waterman.
Horatio Bigelow.
Lloyd Briggs.

HAVERHILL, TRINITY.*William B. Kimball.**Charles T. Chace.**Edward F. Adams.***HOLYOKE, ST. PAUL'S.***John E. Chase.**William Grover.**Donald Mackintosh.***HOPKINTON, ST. PAUL'S.***Daniel Watson McLeod.**William Kennedy.**James Firth Braithwaite.***HYDE PARK, CHRIST.***Charles C. Hayes, M. D.**Henry Hyde Smith.**Eben B. Page.***IPSWICH, ASCENSION.***George Lester Tilton.**John Birch.**Joseph W. Woods.***LANESBOROUGH, ST. LUKE'S.****LAWRENCE, GRACE.***Henry M. Whitney.**Charles G. Saunders.**Warren Durant.***LAWRENCE, ST. JOHN'S.***Nathaniel P. H. Melvin.**James Walton.**Charles C. Talbot.***LEE, ST. GEORGE'S.****LENOX, TRINITY.****LINCOLN, ST. ANNE'S.***Arthur Johnson.**Frank W. Bigelow.**George G. Cheney.***LONGWOOD, OUR SAVIOUR.***Samuel L. Bush.**Charles Thorndike.**William L. Chase.***LOWELL, ST. ANNE'S.***John O. Green, M. D.**John M. Pevey.**Oliver E. Cushing.***LOWELL, ST. JOHN'S.***Albert G. Swan.**Samuel J. Gibby.**John Dennis.***LYNN, ST. STEPHEN'S.***William Frederick Johnson.**Edward Swain Davis.**Enoch Stafford Johnson.***MALDEN, ST. PAUL'S.***George C. Tate.**George W. Neal.**Matthew C. Grier.***MARBLEHEAD, ST. MICHAEL'S.***William D. T. Trefry.**Samuel Roads, Jr.**Richard L. T. Evans.***MEDFORD, GRACE.***John B. Folger.**Frederick M. Tilden.**George O. Foster.***MELROSE, TRINITY.***J. Harrison Ward.**Horatio N. Perkins.**William L. Williams.***MILFORD, TRINITY.***Charles Dove.**James I. C. Cook.**James T. Bostock.***MILLVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.***Matthew A. Blanchard.**John Waterhouse.**Henry S. Mansfield.***NANTUCKET, ST. PAUL'S.***Charles H. Starbuck.**Benjamin Robinson.***NATICK, ST. PAUL'S.***Horace T. Hildreth.**Charles E. Hamilton.**Wellington L. McNichols.***NEW BEDFORD, GRACE.***Charles B. H. Fessenden.**Edward A. Dana.**Frederick Denham.***NEWBURYPORT, ST. PAUL'S.***Nathaniel Foster.**Alfred W. Lord.**Moses Brown.***NEWTON (L. F'LLS), ST. MARY'S.***David W. Cunningham.**Francis Mills.**Henry F. Spurr.*

NEWTON, GRACE.

Adin B. Underwood.
William S. Gardner.
Frederick W. Sargent.

NEWTON (WEST), MESSIAH.

Charles E. Parker.
Walter C. Ware.

NORTH ATTLEBORO', GRACE.

Otis Stanley.
Oliver Stanley.
Thomas Schofield.

NORTH ADAMS, ST. JOHN'S.

C. H. Read.
William Arthur Gallup.

NORTHAMPTON, ST. JOHN'S.**OXFORD, GRACE.****PITTSFIELD, ST. STEPHEN'S.**

W. E. Vermilye.
F. E. Kernochan.
T. A. Oman.

PLYMOUTH, CHRIST.**QUINCY, CHRIST.**

Peter Butler.
William Amory, Jr.
Charles Pelham Greenough.

ROCHDALE, CHRIST.

Elbridge G. Carlton.
Charles H. Devoe.

SALEM, GRACE.

Benjamin Shreve.
Daniel B Hagar, Ph. D.
Leverett S. Tuckerman.

SALEM, ST. PETER'S.

Robert Brookhouse.
George R. Curwen.
Emery K. Benson.

SHEFFIELD, CHRIST.**SOMERVILLE, EMMANUEL.**

Alexander R. Benton.
Robert H. Gibby.
Philip Highly.

SOMERVILLE (E.), ST. THOMAS'S.

Douglas Frazar.
George Vincent.
Edward S. Bailey.

SOUTH ADAMS, ST. MARK'S.

Nelson H. Bixby.
James Osborne.
Levi L. Brown.

SO. GROVELAND, ST. JAMES'S.**SOUTHBOROUGH, ST. MARK'S.**

Joseph Burnett.
W. P. Wilson.
Leander W. Newton.

SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST.

John B. Stebbins.
James D. Brewer.
Daniel P. Crocker.

STOCKBRIDGE, ST. PAUL'S.

Daniel B. Fenn.
Franklin W. Adams.
Mason Van Deusen.

SWANSEA, CHRIST.**TAUNTON, ST. THOMAS'S.**

William Henry Bent.
Edmund Hatch Bennett, LL. D.
Henry Morton Lovering.

TAUNTON, ST. JOHN'S.

Samuel L. Crocker.
George E. Chambers.
Jason H. Hayward.

VANDEUSENVILLE, TRINITY.

Daniel G. Anderson.
William I. Van Deusen.

WAKEFIELD, EMMANUEL.**WALTHAM, CHRIST.**

Moses Endicott Osgood.
Edward C. Caldwell.
G. Frederick Daniels.

WEBSTER, RECONCILIATION.

James H. Howe.
William S. Slater.
Amos Bartlett.

WESTFIELD, ATONEMENT.

Madison J. Gillette.
George U. Prescott.
Emerson Jessup.

WEYMOUTH, TRINITY.

William S. Wallace.
Charles A. Chessman.
Frank K. Slack.

WILKINSONVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

Daniel M. Chase.

Nehemiah B. Chase.

WOBURN, TRINITY.

*James Folsom.**Charles W. Davis.*

WOOD'S HOLL, MESSIAH.

Joseph S. Fay.

*Ehel T. Fish.**Charles E. Hatch.*

WORCESTER, ALL SAINTS'.

Francis H. Dewey.

Edward L. Davis.

Charles M. Bent.

WRENTHAM, TRINITY.

*Thomas A. George.**James E. Pollard.**Edmund J. Felt.*

The BISHOP then announced the following persons to constitute the Committee on Qualifications : —

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, the Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, the Rev. JOSEPH JENKS.

The lists of clergymen and the certificates of Lay Delegates were handed to this committee.

The Convention then adjourned to Trinity Church, to attend the celebration of religious services.

Morning Prayer to the Psalter was read by the Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH; the Psalter, by the Rev. HENRY L. FOOTE; the First Lesson, by the Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D. D.; the Second Lesson, by the Rev. SUMNER U. SHEARMAN; the Creed and following prayers, by the Rev. CHARLES H. PROCTOR; the Litany, by the Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON; the one hundred and thirty-eighth Hymn was announced by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D.; the Ante-Communion Service and the Epistle, by the Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE; the Gospel, by the BISHOP. The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., gave out the notices, and announced the four hundred and twenty-fourth Hymn. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE, from the text, 1 Tim. iii. 14, 15 : *These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly : but if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.*

The Offertory Sentences, and the Prayer for the Church Militant were read by the Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, the collection being received by the Revs. FRANK H. BIGELOW, AUGUSTINE H. AMORY, DANIEL J. AYERS, and THOMAS W. NICKERSON, Deacons. The

Exhortation was read by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D.; the Prayer of Consecration by the BISHOP, who also administered the Holy Communion to the clergy, and to a large number of Lay Delegates and others, assisted in the distribution of the elements by the Rev. Dr. P. BROOKS, the Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, and the Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE. The Post-Communion was read by the BISHOP, who also gave the Blessing of Peace.

The Convention then reassembled in the Chapel of Trinity Church, and was called to order by the BISHOP, when the Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, from the Committee on Qualifications, made the following Report: —

The Committee on Qualifications would respectfully report that they have examined the list of the Clerical Delegates and find it correct, with the exception of the name of the Rev. Charles Wingate, about whose legal title to a vote in this Convention there is a doubt in their minds.

They would also report that they have examined the Certificates of the Lay Delegates, and have found them correct with the exception of those parishes that have elected substitutes as well as delegates, for which there is no provision made in the Canons of the diocese; Church of the Advent, Boston; St. Peter's, Cambridge; Trinity, Melrose; St. James's, North Cambridge; Christ, Andover; St. Paul's, Holyoke; Church of Our Saviour, Longwood; St. John's, Wilkin-sonville; St. Peter's, Salem. And that the name of the city or town in the certificates from the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham, St. Peter's, Cambridge, and the Church of the Messiah, West Newton, is not properly given.

W. C. WINSLOW, }
J. A. JEROME, } Committee.
JOSEPH JENKS, }

The Report was accepted.

The SECRETARY then called the names of clergymen entitled to *seats* and *votes*, the names of those entitled to *seats* only, and the list of Lay Delegates.

A quorum of both orders being found to be present, the BISHOP pronounced the Convention open for business.

The first business in order being the election of a Secretary,

Resolved, That balloting be dispensed with.

On motion of the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES,

Resolved, That the Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S. T. D., be re-elected.

The SECRETARY asked permission of the Convention to appoint the Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D. D., as his assistant.

The permission was granted, and the Rev. Wm. H. Brooks, D. D., was appointed.

Resolved, That the reading of the Rules of Order be dispensed with.

A discussion having arisen in reference to the Report of the Committee on Qualifications,

JOSEPH STORY FAY moved that the names of substitute delegates be stricken off from the certificates.

The Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN moved the following substitute :

Resolved, That in the judgment of this Convention, the addition of substitute names does not vitiate the certificate as to the names of the original delegates.

Which amendment was carried.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW,

Resolved, That the first three names on the certificates containing six names be taken as the legal delegates of the parish.

The BISHOP announced the following Standing Committees : —

<i>On Admission of New Parishes</i>	{	The Rev. GEORGE WALKER.
		" LEWIS GREEN.
		" GEORGE E. OSGOOD.
		LUCIUS L. HUBBARD.
		GEORGE B. NEAL.
		W. FRANK HURD.
<i>On Constitution and Canons</i>	{	The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.
		" MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D.
		" EDWARD M. GUSHEE.
		WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
		CAUSTEN BROWNE.
<i>Executive Committee</i>	{	The Rev. LEONIDAS B. BALDWIN.
		" FREDERICK BURGESS.
		GEORGE B. NEAL.
<i>Committee on Unfinished Business</i>	{	The Rev. HENRY J. SHERIDAN.
		DOUGLAS FRAZAR.
		J. MORTON CLINCH.
<i>Committee on Finance</i>	{	The Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON.
		THOMAS MAIR.
		SAMUEL ROADS.

On motion of the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES,

Resolved, That the Convention now take a recess until half past three o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned.

3.30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. WM. HENRY BROOKS, D. D., offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That clergymen belonging to other dioceses, candidates for Holy Orders in this diocese, former members of this Convention, all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present at its sittings, and the churchwardens and vestrymen of Trinity Church, Boston, be invited to honorary seats in this body.

The following persons appeared and took seats under the above resolution : —

The Rev. CLARENCE BUEL	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	<i>New York.</i>
The Rev. C. WEBBER (Deacon)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	<i>Tennessee.</i>
The Rev. JOSEPH HOOPER, Lebanon Springs	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	<i>New York.</i>
The Rev. CHARLES H. MALCOLM, D. D.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	<i>Rhode Island.</i>

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, —

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocesan Board of Missions be invited to an honorary seat, with the privilege of speaking on any matter concerning missionary work in the diocese.

A certificate of election of Lay Delegates from Grace Church, North Attleborough, signed by only one of the wardens, being presented, and called in question by the Committee on Qualifications, it was

Resolved, That the delegates from the above parish be admitted to seats in the Convention.

The names were called by the SECRETARY, and the delegates took their seats.

The BISHOP then delivered his ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Bishop Paddock's Address.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

EVERY added year in the history of our now venerable Convention is a new call to gratitude to God for the gracious providence that gave to this American Church so wise, helpful, and scriptural a provision for the management of its affairs as this representative assembly, now in its ninety-first annual Convention. The committing the great interests of the Church to a body including its laity as well as its clergy, and the intrusting to such a body every possible question of merely diocesan concern, while higher questions of moment to the National Church were to go to a council, higher indeed, but of the same essential composition, — this was a new thing indeed ninety-one years ago, and many were in doubt about it; but now all American churchmen honor and trust this newest and yet oldest system of conciliar action. Experience has taught us that it is not only a wise, safe, and effective plan for this Church, but our only practicable one. We copy that early council at Jerusalem with great confidence and gladness, and many of us would venture the suggestion that our afflicted Mother Church of England would find a better remedy for her internal disorders and unbrotherly contentions than she has yet found, if possibly she could “go to law with unbelievers” less, and bring her matters of much disputation before convocations of “Apostles, Elders, and Brethren” representing “the whole Church,” even as in the days of the oldest church of history.

Let us ever remember, brethren of the clergy and laity, that many eyes at home and abroad are fixed upon our conciliar method, and are studying such illustrations of it as we give in our annual diocesan Conventions. May the spirit of love and of power and of a sound mind — the alone gift of that Holy Spirit promised to the Church forever — be with us as heretofore, and preside over all our deliberations.

The year past has been one of much trial and exceeding moment to our Mother Church, but of much peacefulness, great zeal, and considerable achievement in our National Church. No great questions likely to need charity and thwart the Church's progress have arisen, or are now occupying the thoughts of American churchmen. Our Diocesan Church has not filled a large place in the newspapers, nor done any great things to boast of; but there has been much good work done by the faithful clergy, and in many places a commendable zeal has been manifested by the laity. There is vast room for improvement, and chronic fault-finders are in good stock; but others will thank God, and take courage.

Since our assembling here a year ago, I have been enabled to make 143 official visitations; have been present also in my official character on 39 other services, including Convocations, Ordinations, etc. On 119 different occasions I have confirmed 1,067 persons in or for the churches named below, viz.: —

Newton (Two Visitations)	16	Danvers	2
Auburndale	3	Peabody	3
Webster (Two Visitations)	11	Gloucester	8
Westfield	3	Rochdale	5
Springfield	9	Cherry Valley	1
Boston, Good Shepherd (Two Visitations)	21	Clinton	10
Lawrence, St. John's	16	Stockbridge	5
Lawrence, Grace	24	Van Deusenville	1
Fiskdale	2	Great Barrington	14
Northampton	6	Lenox	3
Amherst	6	Pittsfield	13
Greenfield	4	Adams	3
Holyoke	12	Williamstown	3
Brighton (Two Visitations)	19	North Adams	4
Boston, Evangelists' (Two Visitations)	13	Ipswich	6
Taunton, St. Thomas's (Two Visitations)	21	Quincy	6
Bridgewater (Two Visitations)	2	Malden	15
Hingham	6	Fall River, Ascension	9
Wilkinsonville	2	Fall River, St. John's (Two Visitations)	20
Millville	6	New Bedford, Grace	3
Boston, St. Luke's Home (Two Visitations)	4	New Bedford, St. James's	6
		North Attleborough	4
		East Boston	18
		Newton Lower Falls	2
		Beverly	2

Natick	4	Cambridge, St. John's Memo-	
Boston, Advent (Two Visita-		rial	6
tions)	94	Charlestown	12
Dorchester, All Saints' . . .	14	Boston, St. Paul's	12
Boston, St. Mary's, for Sailors,	8	Boston, Emmanuel	18
Chelsea	13	Hyde Park	2
Cambridge, St. James's . . .	11	Boston, Trinity	48
Arlington	3	Somerville, Emmanuel . . .	6
South Boston, St. Matthew's		Methuen	14
(Two Visitations)	30	Andover	8
Dorchester, St. Anne's Chapel,	12	Boston Highlands, St. John's .	16
South Boston, Grace	5	Waltham (Two Visitations) .	17
West Somerville, St. James's		Boston, Messiah	29
Chapel	2	Longwood	3
Dorchester, St. Mary's . . .	8	Brookline	8
Roxbury, Consumptives'		Fitchburg	10
Home, for St. Mary's	1	Southborough	9
Jamaica Plain	10	Framingham	1
Dedham, St. Paul's	9	Salem, Grace	7
Dedham, Good Shepherd . . .	5	Salem, St. Peter's	8
Lowell, House of Prayer . . .	2	East Somerville, St. Thomas's .	16
Lowell, St. Anne's	32	Boston Highlands, St. James's,	20
Chelmsford	4	Boston, Christ Church . . .	13
Lowell, St. John's	9	Boston, St. Mark's	10
Marblehead	8	Cambridge, St. Peter's . . .	22
Lynn	18	Newburyport	5
Cambridge, Christ	9	Amesbury	1
Cambridge, Ascension (Two		Haverhill, St. John the Evan-	
Visitations)	11	gelist	7
Worcester, St. Matthew's . . .	2	Haverhill, Trinity	6
Worcester, All Saints'	25	Wakefield	1
Melrose	5	Medford	2
Woburn	4		

The journal of all my official acts, kept as required by canon, together with sundry canonical and other lists of interest and value, are appended to this address, and will be read, or any part of them, at the call of the Convention. I read here an epitome of them : —

Baptisms	2
Confirmations (number of administrations)	119
Confirmations (number confirmed)	1,067
Celebrations of the Holy Communion	30
Sermons preached	147

Addresses delivered	90
Catechisings	12
Other public services	39
Theological examinations, trustee and committee meetings, etc. .	121
Marriages	3
Burials	5
Lay readers licensed (from Advent to Advent)	29
Postulants (admitted, 3), present number	6
Candidates for deacon's orders (admitted, 1), present number .	0
Candidates for priest's orders (admitted or received, 9), present number	23
Ordinations (deacons, 10; priests, 4), total	14
Clergymen deceased	4
Clergymen received	7
Clergymen transferred	15
Clergymen, present number (bishop, 1; priests, 140; deacons, 9) .	150
Corner-stones laid (by the bishop)	3
Churches in building	7
Churches consecrated	3
Other churches or chapels opened for worship	2
Bishops-elect, consent given	3
Bishops-elect, assisted in consecrating	2

The outlook over the past year seems to me cheering and stimulating. Our Diocesan Missionary Board has received very recently some noble gifts which make its treasury seem plethoric to-day, and which will insure — unless your offerings show an abuse of others' generosity and fall off from the standard of duty — an increase of work during the coming year. It has already set in order its scheme for an itinerating mission, and appointed its missionary. The Church Home for Orphans, South Boston, has received nearly \$5,000 through bequests; the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society, \$6,000. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Roxbury, has fitted up an appropriate chapel within its walls, and paid off its remaining debt of \$6,000. To-day, with a valuable property, it owes no man anything but to love one another, and is daily winning more and more esteem and co-operation. The noble founder of "Lawrence Hall," at the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, has completed, at an expense of \$25,000, the beautiful pile; and the building, costing \$80,000, affords unequalled accommodations for about forty students. Our "Episcopal Clerical Fund," which is our society for ministering to the needs of our aged, infirm, and indigent brethren, was rejoicing at its meeting yesterday over the

receipt of the noble bequest of the late Rev. Dr. Horton, by which gift of nearly \$5,000 its capital was doubled, when an honored lay-member of our little Board rose, and after a few words indicative of his deep interest in the welfare of our disabled clergymen, placed in the bishop's hands his check for *ten thousand dollars*, to create "The Randolph M. Clark Memorial Fund" for the relief of our suffering brethren. Glory to God for such tokens and fruitage of divine grace! Our Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen has also received the Dr. Horton bequest of nearly \$5,000, and an ever-bountiful heart in its Board of Trustees has added to its fund his personal gift of over \$2,000 during the last year. St. Mark's School, Southborough, has swept off \$10,356 of encumbrance for its recent additions to the buildings, and is free from debt. It was never doing better work than now, under its able head master, Dr. Coolidge, and his excellent assistants; but it greatly needs *scholarship endowments*, by which it can educate at reduced cost, or free, a few noble sons of our clergy, competing for the honor. And where is the diocesan school for girls, which we so greatly need? Why does not some godly and wealthy layman or laywoman rise up, and do by such an everlasting memorial what Massachusetts churchmen have done for St. Mark's, Southborough; and for the great St. Paul's School, Concord; and for at least five different foundations in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; and for Faribault, Minn.; and for a hall at Harvard? Where is he or she who will give us a St. Agnes's like the noble school of Albany, a St. Mary's like Burlington, or a St. Margaret's diocesan school like that recent fair growth at Waterbury?

It is not probable that I am cognizant of all the notable good things that have occurred in our parishes, over and above the discharge of the ordinary pecuniary obligations; but what I do know will, I think, justify good cheer on the part of all who know the parishes. St. Mark's Church, Southborough, has enlarged its church, and paid for it about \$1,500. The new St. George's, Lee, finished before my last Convention address, has been consecrated. The new St. Stephen's, Lynn, with the means poured out upon it with lavish love and joyous bounty by him who makes it the memorial of his loved and sainted ones, is drawing near its complete order and beauty. Grace, New Bedford, will seek consecration a

few months hence, and will rejoice many hearts who shall then call its walls salvation, and its gates praise. The new St. John's, Fall River, a church seating four hundred, is opened, but not yet ready for consecration. So also is the attractive and enduring Church of the Atonement, Westfield, — soon, I hope, to be ready for consecration; a work accomplished under many difficulties, and reflecting honor upon the wisdom and zeal of the devoted young minister who has achieved it. A lay reader, not yet ordained, has caught much of the spirit of the missionary having the general oversight of his work, viz., Emmanuel Mission, Wakefield, and has labored with such extraordinary zeal, wisdom, and perseverance, that the little church is now rapidly rising, with many cheering it, and will soon be completed and paid for. The Messiah, Auburndale, after manifold discouragements, is piling up the stone walls of its chapel after a beautiful design. The unique little stone church in the little hamlet of Chelmsford can only come into the Kingdom through much tribulation, so unequal are the few to the work; but I hope, now that it is so far advanced, it will come in and be a blessing to its neighborhood. The new Church of the Advent, Boston, an imposing pile, is nearing the roof, and I am told will be made ready for worship without debt. The venerable St. Andrew's, Hanover, with a new chancel and other improvements costing \$3,000, has been dedicated anew. Christ Church, Waltham, always true and beautiful in its lines and proportions, has by new windows, decoration, etc., at a cost of about \$2,800, become still more attractive. Calvary, Danvers, is greatly bettered, without and within. The chapel at Williamstown has in like manner been improved. St. Paul's, Malden, has built a much-needed robing-room, as well as painted the entire exterior of the church. St. Paul's, Natick, has secured a new and excellent organ. The House of Prayer, Lowell, has graded and fenced its grounds, and painted its tasteful church. Trinity, Boston, has with no greater sacrifice completed its costly rectory. Trinity, Haverhill, has constructed a chapel from its transept, put new windows throughout the church, and newly carpeted and otherwise improved it, at a cost of nearly \$1,000. The new St. Anne's Chapel, Dorchester, has not only developed rapidly into self-support, but has gotten and paid for an organ costing \$1,000. The Messiah, Boston, has placed a large and costly organ in its church. A venerable parishioner of St.

Paul's, Dedham, an honored member of this Convention for many years, has placed a noble chime of ten bells, at the cost of \$5,000, in that massive tower, thence with their untiring tongues and melodious throats to bless God and magnify him forever. And an unnamed, loving heart has caught up the echoes as they sweep across the stream and meadows to the sweet rural Church of the Good Shepherd, and is essaying to renew the song and richly accompany it by the harmonies of a new pipe organ in that daughter church of Dedham.

If I come to debts paid, which are good works indeed, I am cheered by seeing Grace, Medford, paying for indebtedness and repairs \$800; St. John's, Lawrence, clearing itself of every weight by raising \$1,000; Good Shepherd Mission, Peabody, extinguishing all claims by \$1,150; Ascension, Ipswich, making a heroic effort, and by admirable skill and patience wiping out all its heavy debt of upwards of \$5,000; St. Luke's, Chelsea, raising for debt and improvements \$800; Grace, Newton, raising \$7,000 towards its once very heavy debt; Emmanuel, Boston, extinguishing its last remaining indebtedness, amounting to \$4,500; Trinity, Milford, reducing its obligations for improvements by \$250; Christ Church, Andover, paying for its little debt and repairs \$1,000; St. Paul's, Boston, cancelling \$6,000 of its indebtedness; St. Matthew's, South Boston, reducing its debt by \$1,000; St. James's, New Bedford, a new and vigorous enterprise, paying \$600 on its indebtedness; St. James's, Great Barrington, discharging all its obligations by the payment of \$1,800.

It is with great pleasure that I note, without comment, the strong and vigorous development within the diocese of our Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. The last annual report showed a work almost coextensive with the diocese, whose money value was \$15,231 during the preceding twelve months. Such great achievements by the godly women of the Church, under singularly wise and efficient officers and leaders, are something to thank God for; but doubtless the indirect effects of this widely ramified work in imparting information, stimulating zeal, awakening and guiding interest, and shaking us out of that *parochial selfishness* which is so common and so mischievous, are the greater blessing.

I beg also to ask your favorable attention to two other agencies, both of Massachusetts origin (in this country), and of no little

prospective and actual usefulness. “The Girls’ Friendly Society of America” is an English growth, there stout and vigorous, transplanted hither by a few devout women of St. Anne’s, Lowell, and now taking root in several dioceses of this Church. They who understand the exceeding need of a *Christian female friend* for the girls toiling for bread in our cities, manufacturing centres, or quiet villages will surely inquire after the details of this plan from the president of the American society, the daughter of our most venerable rector of St. Anne’s, Lowell. The other Christian agency is called “The Twenty Minutes Mission,” and is intended to engage and systematize a conscientious devotion of a little time daily, on the part of Christian women, to prayer and good works in the name of Christ. It has no machinery, and hardly any officers; but it is gaining friends rapidly in various dioceses, and the benevolent results of its gathering up the fragments that nothing be lost are wonderful. Miss Cushing, of 54 Chestnut Street, Boston, the treasurer, will gladly give to inquirers all needful information.

At the last meeting, this Convention was pleased to act on some suggestions in the bishop’s address, and create a committee to consider and report upon the wicked increase of divorce in this Commonwealth and the need of amended legislation in prevention of it. That committee will doubtless report. It is a matter of devout thankfulness that — partly, perhaps, through the active efforts of such committees, and of leagues (in which I have gladly borne a part) — new and greatly bettered legislation has been secured from the Legislature. There is, however, room for further improvement, and the Church should not for a moment relax its vigilance or be without a watchful committee.

Before proceeding to a few matters of general rather than exclusively diocesan interest, I shall, after careful reflection, venture to suggest the wisdom of a slight but important change in Article II. of the Constitution of the Diocese. My suggestion is in the direction of somewhat larger freedom in the admission of clergymen regularly engaged in the cure of souls to votes as well as seats in the Convention. Experience has shown an unforeseen complication, and a presumably unintentional hindrance, growing out of the qualification contained in the words “settlement in a parish in union with the Convention.” Unless of late I had ventured to con-

strue the clause more in accordance with the supposed intent of the law than with its exact phraseology, it would be now operating to keep out some, and disfranchise others from the voting privilege, whom the Convention probably had no thought of excluding. For instance, he who has sat and voted for years as a missionary of the Diocesan Board or of a recognized parochial mission may suddenly be deprived of his vote, merely because his church has grown strong enough to surrender diocesan or parochial aid and to organize as a parish ; but not having been "organized as such for the space of one year," or for some other sufficient reason, the parish is not yet admitted "into union with the Convention." Again, the word "settlement" is a technical one, strictly defined in the Digest, and means the being "engaged permanently by any parish, according to the rules of said diocese, or for any term not less than one year" ; so that by rigorous construction, a minister in charge of a parish from now until the fifteenth day of May, 1882, is not "*set'led*" in that parish. Even if he be "regularly and canonically appointed as minister or assistant minister," probably it is *not*, as the article reads, "in some chapel or mission," but in a parish ; so that between the two stools some good and faithful man in charge of a church may fall to the ground. I do not like to be made to choose between depriving men of a vote whom this Convention, I presume, never intended to deprive, or straining (as I have done) the letter of the law.

If Article II., § 2, of the Constitution were amended so as to make the qualification following the words "every clergyman . . . regularly engaged in discharging the duties of his office" read thus : "*As rector, minister in charge, assistant minister, or missionary, lawfully and canonically elected or appointed of some parish, church, or mission within this diocese,*" the remainder of the article being left as it is now, it would, in my judgment, be a desirable change to inaugurate at this meeting of the Convention.

At the very hour of our deliberations here, my dear brethren, doubtless there is flying over the land, as swiftly as on the wings of the angel whom St. John saw in apocalyptic vision bearing the everlasting gospel to all dwellers on the earth, *a new revision* of our admirable translation of the New Testament. This most interesting and momentous issue will date, I am informed, from the middle of this month of May ; if so, from the fourth Sunday after

Easter, whose Collect, Epistle, and Gospel are ours for this day : and they may well be our counsellors. 'This new revision is but one of several since the Word of God was unbound at the Reformation. If it make any changes in the interest of nearer approximation to that good gift and perfect gift which was from above, and came down from the Father of Lights, with whom is no variableness, through that Spirit of Truth whom the Divine Son sent to guide us into all truth ; and if it be graciously restrained from the loss of anything which belongs of right to that Divine Word of which the Church is the witness and keeper, that life-giving Word of truth with which the Father, of his own will, begets us that we should be a kind of first-fruits of his creatures, that ingrafted Word which is able to save our souls, — then God be praised for putting it into the heart of his Church to arrange for a new and better, because truer, version of his holy Word, and for the grace that has consecrated for the task the ten years' labor, study, patience, and charity of some of the most learned, wise, and godly scholars of Christendom. With all the modern apparatus of Biblical criticism and the increase of sacred knowledge, it would seem the right and the duty of those who love *revealed truth itself*, more than the tenderest of associations or the holiest of sentiments connected with it, to expect a gain for Christ through this noblest intellectual labor of the ages since the Reformation. It is deserving our most studious and interested examination. Fortunately for us, and perhaps for the truth, this Church has a *canonically authorized version* of the Holy Scriptures, which alone can be read in our churches ; and no man may lawfully make the grave venture of reading a new version in the Church services merely because he approves it. But I hope that every man among us may avoid all unseemly, unscholarly, unchristian prejudice against a new reading merely because he is attached to the old, or because he fears for a doctrine, however true and important, that leans somewhat on the old ; and we shall certainly avoid all foolish talking and declamation which are not convenient. A few years must pass before this question of new and old can be settled. Meanwhile hear St. James : " Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath ; for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God."

The General Convention has held its triennial meeting since we

were last assembled, and it has bequeathed to us so many matters requiring notice and perhaps action, that without delaying to speak of the Convention itself, I pass at once to them.

The great and radical change in the mode of awakening and developing an increase of interest in the Church's missionary work, which by a large majority passed the Convention sitting as the Board of Missions, and which commends to all ministers and all churches the annual subscriptions of the men, women, and children of the parish or mission, is well known to you, for I was among the first of the bishops to call your attention to it through a pastoral letter. It is probably too soon for us to know how generally it is adopted, and with what increase; but doubtless it will bring forth good fruit wherever found practicable.

As a matter closely akin to this, I call your attention to the act of the General Convention (as the Board of Missions) by which it created "*the American Church-Building Fund Commission*," so called, "as an instrumentality to assist the bishops and the Domestic Committee in the work of extending the Church in our dioceses and missionary jurisdictions." The commission seeks great things for God, and therefore asks great things from his children of this Church. It has hopes of going before the next General Convention, in 1883, the centennial anniversary of Bishop Seabury's election, with a fund of *a million dollars*. It believes that a single offering a year in all our churches, supplemented by large individual offerings from those always glad and always able to give for causes both holy and wise, will by and by make up a fund from which every bishop in the land may receive help in the encouragement of new and hopeful missions which must erect a church for their necessities. It believes that thus this most laborious, costly, self-sacrificing business, which generally falls on our clergy, of raising by petty subscriptions outside of their parishes, or even dioceses, enough to complete their absolutely necessary churches, may be largely done away with. You are probably aware that the Congregationalists, Presbyterians, Baptists, and Methodists have had for years just such societies, so that the matter is not altogether experimental. Thousands of houses of God in the land owe their existence to these efficient givers or lenders of a little help at the right moment. Our present method is just the worst possible. "The policy proposed is the formation of at least *one* auxiliary

association or committee in every diocese, to secure annual offerings in the churches and personal subscriptions in the parishes, through the various rectors." For many years I have had some familiarity with this subject; and after careful research, I was prepared, as a member of the House of Deputies, to advocate and second any practicable scheme. I trust it may be referred to a wise committee to report during this meeting of the Convention, and that the subject may receive careful notice at our hands.

The Committee on Expenses, an important committee of the General Convention, had referred to them the question, whether or not it is expedient that the assessments on each diocese be so increased that out of the proceeds the General Convention may be enabled to pay the expenses incurred by the members in attending the meetings of that body. The committee estimate "the travelling expenses of the members of this Convention [1880] to be \$30,242." It would require an assessment equal to ten cents on each communicant, or ten dollars on each clergyman in the church. The committee very properly ask "an expression of opinion from each diocesan convention" as to the matter. I respectfully suggest its reference to a committee to report at this meeting.

The General Convention is awakened none too soon to the great peril existing in our loose, unbusinesslike, and unjustifiable methods and results in respect to *tenure of church property*. It has created a committee to look into this whole matter; and that committee desires your co-operation by the appointment of a competent committee of this body, to consider and report in full at the next Annual Convention. I have so plainly spoken in former addresses of this grave moral question—viz, how we are prepared to keep faith with good people, who have given to our Church its property—that I can only second the request heartily.

One of the plainest duties, wisest possible policies, and sweetest charities which this Church can ever recommend is that greatly neglected, strangely forgotten provision of the general Church represented in General Convention by its "Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen." At a joint meeting of the two houses of General Convention last October, the deepest interest was awakened in its behalf; and finally these two following

resolutions, among others, were unanimously approved in each House : —

2. *Resolved*, That this House do earnestly request the several diocesan conventions or councils that they duly consider, and if they find it expedient, approve, commend, and indorse the eminent charity embraced in the purpose and effort of this committee.

3. *Resolved*, That every minister in charge of a congregation be requested to reserve, from this time forth, out of "the alms and other devotions" of the people, collected upon each and every occasion of the administration of the Lord's Supper, a percentage of the whole amount, not less than one nor more than ten per cent, at the discretion of the minister, the same to be forwarded and paid over to the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen.

The simple scheme proposed is, in my judgment, a wise and just one ; and if commended by this Convention, I doubt not it will generally be adopted by our diocesan clergy. I ask its reference to a proper committee, and an early report for action.

I have received official notice from the secretary of the House of Deputies, that the following resolution has been constitutionally adopted by the late General Convention ; and that the required information has been given to the conventions of the dioceses preparatory to final action by the general body in 1883. No action is *necessary* on the part of this Convention ; but it is competent in this body to express its opinion, if it so elect. This is the resolution : —

Resolved, That the ratification of the Book of Common Prayer be amended so as to read as follows, and that such proposed amendment be made known to the several diocesan conventions, in order that it may be adopted in the next General Convention, according to Article VIII. of the Constitution : —

RATIFICATION OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

By the Bishops, the Clergy, and the Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in General Convention assembled.

The General Convention of this Church, having heretofore — to wit, on the sixteenth day of October, A. D. 1789 — set forth and established a Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments, and other rites and ceremonies of the Church, and thereby established the said book and declared it to be the Liturgy of this Church, and required that it be received as such by all the members of the same, and be in use from and after the first day of October, A. D. 1790; the same book is hereby ratified and confirmed, and ordered to be the use of this Church from this time forth.

But note, however, that on days other than Sunday, Christmas Day, the Epiphany, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and Ascension Day, it shall suffice if the minister begin Morning or Evening Prayer at the General Confession, or the

Lord's Prayer, preceded by one or more of the sentences appointed at the beginning of Morning and Evening Prayer, and end after the Collect for Grace, or the Collect for Aid against Perils, with 2 Cor. xiii. 14, using so much of the Lessons appointed for the day, and so much of the Psalter, as he shall judge to be for edification.


And note, also, that on any day when Morning and Evening Prayer shall have been duly said, or are to be said, and upon days other than those first aforementioned, it shall suffice, when need may require, if a sermon or lecture be preceded by at least the Lord's Prayer and one or more Collects found in this book; *provided*, that no prayers not set forth in said book, or otherwise authorized by this Church, shall be used before or after such sermon or lecture.

And note further, also, that on any day the Morning Prayer, the Litany, or the Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper, may be used as a separate and independent service; *provided*, that no one of these services shall be disused habitually.

The visit of Mr. R. Graham, general secretary of the Manchester Diocesan Church-of-England Temperance Society, has awakened great interest in the question of other possible methods of promoting the temperance cause than those now existing among us. The evil of subjection to the power of intoxicating drink is of indescribable magnitude and horror, and more than any other one sin is the parent of all our woes. The Church and Christian men have been not a little alienated from a profound and active interest in the matter, partly because of such views, conditions, principles, and methods of action seemingly inseparably attaching to the cause of reform, and such unchristian abuse heaped upon good men who could not accept them all, so that this Christ-like and blessed work has been bereft of much of the best possible co-operation. It is now pretty largely realized, however, that there may be a way of working, of more or less promise, which might interest vast numbers now standing aloof because they cannot work in the heretofore only accepted method. The great success of the Church-of-England Temperance Society encourages such a hope. True, that very name and claim which go with the word "*Church*," and which are a source of strength and honor in England, may be found the hindrance and damage of a "Church Temperance Society" in this country; but, brethren of the clergy and laity, *something ought to be done*. Our consciences are drowsy, if not drugged, about this matter. Any honest and fairly promising effort is safer than sleep while such countless souls are being lost, such untold misery inflicted, such snares and pitfalls laid for our sons and daughters, yes, for our very ministers of Christ.

There has been a *general* "Church Temperance Society" organized in New York, which desires to see created, affiliated societies in every diocese, convocation, and parish. I pray God to bless it, and to show us of this diocese our duty. I do not suppose that this Convention can here and now create all or perhaps any of these societies; but if clear in its convictions, it could perhaps sanction *the general scheme* of the general society, create a committee to arrange plans for local societies, and unite and commend the co-operation of our churches *on this basis*. Out of societies *so organized and worked*, it would be easy to form a diocesan society hereafter. I do not deny the difficulties, but I cannot do less than fairly ask the Convention to meet them by an honest effort. Perhaps a special committee to report at this meeting in time for deliberation and action would be the most practicable method.

I have reserved until the rehearsal of our unusually full detail of matters done or to be done, the mention of our venerable co-workers in the ministry of the Lord Jesus who have finished their course in faith and attained unto their reward. Since last we met, William Warland, Samuel P. Parker, D. D., Robert B. Van Kleeck, D. D., and Dexter Potter have received their crowns. Four aged men, only one of whom lacked one year of the allotted threescore and ten, while the others considerably exceeded it, they saw a good old age and found their *nunc dimittis* as natural as it was gracious a song. Three of the four had laid down the cares of spiritual husbandry, being no more equal to them; only brave Dr. Parker was found at seventy-five full of the work in which he had spent a useful and honored lifetime. From my boyhood had I known my father's neighbors, the gentle, modest, devout Mr. Warland, and the zealous, even then somewhat eccentric, but laborious, missionary-hearted Mr. Potter. Dr. Van Kleeck's great fervor, warm social qualities, and tireless labors make all his memory sunshine, save when and where God mysteriously led him into cloud and shadow. And who does not grow stronger, and drive discouragement farther from him, and smile over his imagined weariness, as he pictures that silver-haired and silver-voiced old missionary, Dr. Parker, year after year beyond the threescore and ten, driving his long miles down the still, sweet valley of the Housatonic, daunted neither by summer heats nor winter's cold, to prepare for the Sunday services his lovely maiden choir at little Sheffield church;



and then on the Lord's day to lead the little household company's prayers and praises with his cultured voice and better heart, to tell of heaven, and show the way by his holy walk and conversation? Each one of these annual gatherings tells us, ministers of Christ, that we must be ready ; we shall never again all look each other in the face.

Only just now an eminent presbyter has fallen, who was one of us always in heart, but not canonically so at the last. Dr. Alexander H. Vinton has been so largely identified with this diocese during much of his life, that his loss is as much felt as if he were our own presbyter. He was a great, scholarly, and godly man ; large-minded and great-hearted, and when roused to its utmost his intellect showed its massive strength, and his eloquence became a thing of grandeur. Are we raising enough ministers like him, — great as well as good in the greatest and best of human callings?

The Church at large mourns another man of the same years, and of much the same strength in intellect and power of persuasion. Bishop Atkinson, of North Carolina, was a noble example of a Christian bishop. Learned, wise, fearless, tender, faithful, diligent, he rested not until his work was done, and he was summoned to receive his reward. Few men have been more beloved in a diocese than he in his ; few carried more weight in the general councils of the Church than he. His was a grand and noble life.

Checked and likewise impelled, stimulated and yet steadied, by the examples of those of our fellowship who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors, let us address ourselves to the deliberative duties now before us. It is easy to be inattentive, irregular, heedless, in our quiet and perhaps wearisome work ; but it is nobler, more faithful, more Christian, to give earnest heed to our appointed work, knowing that if we serve wisely here, we certainly serve the Lord Christ. May he guide all our service by his Holy Spirit, and accept it through his own merits.

APPENDIX I.

I. HELPERS AND SEEKERS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY.

1. LAY READERS.

(Holding License until Advent, 1881.)

Thomas Mair.	George C. Tate.
Clarence E. Kelley.	Ralph W. Kenyon.
James W. Preston.	Samuel Snelling.
Edgar W. Upton.	George H. Bliss.
Frederick C. Cowper.	Henry W. Winkley.
Henry R. Sargent.	Edward L. Davis.
E. C. Millett.	Edmund S. Rousmaniere.
Wm. Bailey.	Horace E. Scudder.
Chas. W. K. Morrill.	Chas. M. Bent.
Henry M. Snell.	Gustavus Tuckerman, 2d.
Williams Howland, Jr.	Chas. M. Addison.
Benj. H. Downes.	Henry S. Nash.
Alfred H. Washburne.	Herbert L. A. Almon.
Frank W. Baker.	James F. Whitman.
Arthur W. Chapman.	

2. POSTULANTS.

Robert L. Winkley	Admitted July 7, 1876.
Gustavus Tuckerman, 2d	" March 9, 1877.
Thomas Mair	" Sept. 11, 1879.
James O. Lincoln	" March 1, 1881.
W. S. Emery	" Jan. 1, 1881.
Thos. W. Nickerson, Jr.	" April 26, 1881.

3. CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

David J. Ayers (Deacon)	Admitted June 21, 1877.
Augustine H. Amory (Deacon)	" Oct. 2, 1877.
Francis G. Burgess	" May 9, 1878.
Samnel Hodgkiss	" Sept. 17, 1878.
Frederic W. Dennis	" Oct. 1, 1878.
Henry S. Nash	" Jan. 7, 1879.
Charles M. Addison	" July 2, 1879.
Julius W. Atwood	Received by Letters Oct. 11, 1879.

Benjamin S. Sanderson	Admitted Oct. 18, 1879.
Samuel Snelling	" Nov. 4, 1879.
Melville K. Bailey	" Nov. 5, 1879.
Thomas W. Nickerson (Deacon)	" Nov. 14, 1879.
James E. Wilkinson	" Dec. 4, 1879.
Frank H. Bigelow (Deacon)	Received by Letters Feb. 14, 1880.
Charles L. Wells	Admitted June 1, 1880.
Edward A. Raul (Deacon)	" July 8, 1880.
Henry R. Sargent	" Nov. 2, 1880.
Charles J. Mason	" Nov. 2, 1880.
Joseph A. Ticknor	" Nov. 2, 1880.
Albert St. John Chambré, D. D. (Deacon)	" Jan. 15, 1881.
Archibald L. Van Antwerp	" April 6, 1881.
Endicott Peabody	" May 4, 1881.
Charles W. Duffield (Deacon)	" April 27, 1881.

II. THE CLERGY RECORD.

1. CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

Consent Given.

George Kelley Dunlop, to be Missionary Bishop of Arizona and New Mexico.
 Legh Richmond Brewer, to be Missionary Bishop of Montana.
 John Adams Paddock, D. D., to be Missionary Bishop of Washington.

Assisted to Consecrate.

Dec. 8, 1880. Legh Richmond Brewer, for Montana.
 Dec. 15, 1880. John Adams Paddock, D. D., for Washington.

2. ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE.

June 16, 1880. David Jacob Ayers, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
 June 16, 1880. Augustine Heard Amory, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
 June 16, 1880. James Ward Gilman, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
 June 16, 1880. William Henry Burbank, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
 June 16, 1880. Edmund Radcliffe Woodman, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
 June 16, 1880. Frank Hagar Bigelow, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
 June 16, 1880. Paul Sterling, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
 June 27, 1880. John Alma Bevington in Delafield, Wis., by Bishop Talbot, at my request.
 July 7, 1880. Edward Augustus Rand, in St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.
 Jan. 13, 1881. Albert St. John Chambré, D. D., in St. Peter's Church, Cambridge.

3. ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

- June 24, 1880. Henry J. Sheridan, in Emmanuel Church, Boston.
 June 24, 1880. George Hickman Buck, in Emmanuel Church, Boston.
 June 24, 1880. Jeremiah Jewett Cressey, in Emmanuel Church, Boston.
 Dec. 12, 1880. Frederick Baylies Allen, in Trinity Church, Boston.

4. RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

- Sept. 20, 1880. James B. Wasson, from Albany.
 Oct. 11, 1880. William H. Munroe, from Pennsylvania.
 Dec. 22, 1880. Charles J. Palmer, from Maine.
 Jan. 4, 1881. Charles Lancaster Short, from New York.
 March 2, 1881. William J. Alger, from Maine.
 April 27, 1881. Charles W. Duffield (Deacon), from Central New York.
 May 16, 1881. George W. Porter, D. D., from Central New York.

5. TRANSFERRED* TO OTHER DIOCESES.

- June 5, 1880. Albert E. George, to Michigan.
 July 5, 1880. Alexander Mackay-Smith, to New York.
 Aug. 31, 1880. John A. Bevington (Deacon), to Minnesota.
 Sept. , 1880. Edmund R. Woodman (Deacon), to Japan.
 Sept. 27, 1880. Wm. H. Burbank (Deacon), to New Hampshire.
 Oct. 30, 1880. Frederick H. T. Horsfield, to Albany.
 Nov. 19, 1880. Benjamin W. Atwell, to Vermont.
 Nov. 29, 1880. Paul Sterling (Deacon), to Southern Ohio.
 Dec. 1, 1880. James W. Gilman (Deacon), to Southern Ohio.
 Jan. 17, 1881. C. Collard Adams, to Michigan.
 Feb. 4, 1881. Chas. R. Talbot, to Connecticut.
 March 1, 1881. Thaddeus A. Snively, to Albany.
 March 15, 1881. Amos Skeelee, to Western New York.
 May , 1881. William Lloyd Himes, to New Hampshire.
 May 17, 1881. William Chauncey Langdon, D. D., to Albany.

6. DECEASED.

- May 18, 1880. William Warland.
 Nov. 16, 1880. Samuel P. Parker, D. D.
 Nov. 23, 1880. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D. D.
 April 2, 1881. Dexter Potter.

7. RESIGNATIONS.

- A. V. G. Allen, D. D., Missionary, Ascension, Cambridge.
 George H. Buck, Assistant, Emmanuel, Boston.
 John T. Burrill, Officiating, St. Luke's, Chelsea.
 B. F. Cooley, Rector, Emmanuel, Chelmsford.
 Henry E. Cotton, Assistant, Holy Trinity, Paris, France.

* The date given is the canonical one: viz., that of the acceptance of the Letters Dimissory.

Benjamin R. Gifford, Officiating, St. Paul's, Natick.
 Andrew Gray, Officiating, Trinity, Milford.
 D. G. Haskins, S. T. D., Rector, St. John's, Arlington.
 C. Collard Adams, Officiating, St. George's, Lee.
 F. H. T. Horsfield, Rector, Christ Church, Hyde Park.
 A. Mackay-Smith, Missionary, Grace Church, South Boston.
 J. Sturgis Pearce, in charge, St. Philip's, Easthampton.
 Charles R. Talbot, Rector, Trinity, Wrentham.
 George R. Wheelock, Rector, Grace, North Attleborough.
 Thaddeus A. Snively, Rector, Christ Church, Quincy.
 William L. Himes, Rector, St. James's, South Groveland.
 George E. Osgood, Rector, St. Matthew's, Worcester, and Missionary at Cherry Valley.
 J. H. Waterbury, Chaplain, State Prison, Concord.
 A. B. Jennings, Officiating, St. Mark's, Adams.
 W. McGlathery, Rector, St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
 Amos Skeelee, Rector, St. Paul's, Holyoke.
 William T. Fitch, Rector, Ascension, Fall River.

8. ELECTIONS OR APPOINTMENTS.

Chas. L. Short, Rector, Trinity, Melrose.
 Frank H. Bigelow, Rector, St. Paul's, Natick.
 James B. Wasson, Rector, St. John's, North Adams, and Missionary, St. John's, Williamstown.
 A. H. Amory, Assistant, Grace, Lawrence, and Missionary at North Andover.
 E. A. Rand, Officiating, Christ Church, Hyde Park.
 Charles J. Palmer, Officiating, St. Luke's, Lanesborough.
 George H. Buck, Missionary, Grace, South Boston.
 William R. Gardner, Assistant, Advent, Boston.
 Thos. W. Nickerson, Missionary, Grace, Oxford.
 Andrew Gray, Rector, St. Luke's, Chelsea.
 William H. Munroe, Rector, St. John's, East Boston.
 J. J. Cressey, in charge, Emmanuel, Chelmsford.
 A. V. G. Allen, D. D., Chaplain, Insane Asylum, Somerville.
 George E. Osgood, Rector, Grace, North Attleborough.
 Charles L. Hutchins, Rector, St. John's, Arlington.
 William J. Alger, in charge, Trinity, Milford.
 J. H. Waterbury, Rector, St. Matthew's, Worcester, and Missionary, Cherry Valley.
 A. St. John Chambré, D. D., in charge, Ascension, Fall River.
 Charles W. Duffield, Missionary, Ascension, Cambridge.
 David J. Ayers, Assistant, Church of our Saviour, Longwood.

III. CHURCHES.

1. CORNER-STONES LAID.

May 15, 1880. Atouement, Westfield.
 May 19, 1880. St. Stephen's, Memorial, Lynn.
 April 18, 1881. Emmanuel, Wakefield.

2. CONSECRATED.

Sept. 20, 1880. St. George's, Lee.

Sept. 30, 1880. St. Andrew's, Hanover (rebuilt).

3. OPENED WITHOUT CONSECRATION.

Atonement, Westfield.

St. John's, Fall River.

4. IN BUILDING.

Emmanuel, Chelmsford.

St. Stephen's, Memorial, Lynn.

Church of the Messiah, Auburndale.

Grace, New Bedford.

St. Mark's, Adams.

Emmanuel, Wakefield.

Church of the Advent, Boston.

APPENDIX II.

JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

1880.

- April 28.** Trinity Chapel, Boston; opened with prayers, and presided at the preliminary meeting for organization of the Ninetieth Annual Convention of the Diocese. In Trinity Church at 10 o'clock, took part in the opening services of Convention; celebrated the Holy Communion, and delivered a second triennial charge, my subject being "The Pastoral Relation." Presided at the second morning session, and at the afternoon session, at the latter delivering my annual address. In the evening attended the fifth annual Parish Choir Festival in the same church. This is now almost an *institution*, and certainly a success.
- " 29. Morning prayer with the Convention. Presided at the morning and afternoon sessions.
- " 30. Boston; second examination of several candidates.
- May 1.** St. Philip and St. James, at Boston; third examination of candidates.
- " 2. 5th Sunday after Easter, A. M.: Grace, Newton; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them. P. M.: Messiah, Auburndale; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 3. Evening: Reconciliation, Webster: preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 6. Ascension Day, A. M.: Trinity, Norwich, Conn.; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Christ, Norwich; assisted.
- " 9. Sunday after Ascension, A. M.: St. Peter's, Brooklyn, N. Y.; preached. Evening: At Trinity Chapel, New York; preached the Commencement sermon for the General Theological Seminary.
- " 11. General Theological Seminary, New York; attended an examination of the junior class, in which the diocese has candidates.
- " 12. St. Peter's Hall, New York; Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the Seminary.
- " 13. Evening: Trinity Chapel, New York; Commencement of the General Theological Seminary.
- " 15. P. M.: Atonement, Westfield; laid the corner-stone of the new church, with an address.
- " 16. Whitsunday, A. M.: Same parish; celebrated Holy Communion; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. P. M.: Good Shepherd, West Springfield; preached. Evening: Christ, Springfield; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.

- May** 18. Tuesday in Whitsun-week: Boston; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission. Evening: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached; confirmed 7 (1 being from Wakefield Mission), and addressed them.
- “ 19. A. M.: Same church; at the meeting of the Southern Convocation, celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: St. Stephen's, Lynn; laid the corner-stone of the new Memorial Church, and addressed the vast assemblage. Bishop Clark assisted at this interesting service, and many of the clergy were present. The *possibility* of so grand a conception on the part of the munificent benefactor of this parish reflects great credit on the admirable pastorate of the Rev. Mr. DeCormis, the rector.
- “ 21. St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; attended the funeral of an excellent brother, the Rev. William Warland, making an address. Evening: St. Anne's, South Lincoln; preached.
- “ 23. Trinity Sunday, A. M.: For St. John's, Lawrence; confirmed 1 in private. In the same church preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 15, and addressed them. P. M.: Grace, Lawrence; after the service, catechised and addressed the Sunday school; and in the evening preached, confirmed 24, and addressed them.
- “ 24. Boston: Met a committee from a vacant parish.
- “ 27. Evening: Southbridge; preached in a public hall.
- “ 28. Evening: Grace, Fiskdale; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- “ 29. P. M.: St. Philip's, Easthampton; preached. To my great regret, services here have been suspended of late.
- “ 30. 1st Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. John's, Northampton; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them. Evening: Grace, Amherst; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- “ 31. Evening: St. James's, Greenfield; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- June** 1. Evening: St. John's, Ashfield; preached.
- “ 2. Evening: St. Paul's, Holyoke; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- “ 4. Boston: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- “ 6. 2d Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. Margaret's, Brighton; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them. Evening: Evangelists', Boston; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- “ 7, 8, 9. Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; attended the annual examinations.
- “ 8. Boston: Executive Committee of the City Mission.
- “ 9. Boston: Two examinations of a candidate. Evening: St. Thomas's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- “ 10. Evening: Trinity, Bridgewater; preached; confirmed 1.
- “ 11. Boston; meeting with the Standing Committee. Later, Trustees of St. Luke's Home.
- “ 13. 3d Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Trinity, Weymouth; preached. P. M.: at Hingham; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- “ 16. A. M.: Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; Board of Visitors.
- “ 16. St. John's Memorial Chapel, Cambridge; *Commencement* of the

Episcopal Theological School. I presided and celebrated the Holy Communion. I also gave the diplomas to seven graduates and ordained seven to the Diaconate. The Rev. Dr. Henry C. Potter preached the Commencement Sermon.

- June** 18. P. M.: St. John's, Wilkinsonville; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Millville; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 20. 4th Sunday after Trinity, A. M. and evening: Messiah, Wood's Holl; preached.
- " 21. Evening: St. Paul's, Nantucket; preached.
- " 23. Boston; examination of three candidates.
- " 24. St. John the Baptist, A. M.: Emmanuel, Boston; ordained three to the priesthood, the Rev. L. C. Manchester being the preacher.
- " 26. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston; confirmed 1, and made an address to the inmates.
- " 27. 5th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Calvary, Danvers; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 2, and addressed them. Evening: St. Paul's, Peabody; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 28. Evening: St. John's, Gloucester; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them. Met the Vestry for conference.
- " 29. St. Peter's, P. M.: Hartford, Conn.; Executive Committee of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry. Annual Meeting of the Society.
- " 30. A. M.: Trinity College, Hartford; Board of Trustees. P. M.: Second session of the Board.
- July** 1. Christ Church, Hartford; assisted at morning prayer with the House of Convocation of Trinity College; afterwards, Commencement of the College.
- " 4. 6th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; baptized the child of the rector, and two other children; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 7. St. Matthew's, South Boston; ordained to the Diaconate Mr. E. A. Rand, the Rev. T. F. Fales being the preacher.
- " 11. 7th Sunday after Trinity: Service and sermon at York Harbor, Me.
- " 18. 8th Sunday after Trinity: Service and sermon at York Harbor, Me.
- " 25. 9th Sunday after Trinity: Service and sermon at York Harbor, Me.
- Aug.** 1. 10th Sunday after Trinity: Celebration of the Holy Communion, and later, service and sermon at York Harbor, Me.
- " 8. 11th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. Andrew's-by-the-Sea, Rye Beach, N. H.; service and sermon P. M.; evening prayer.
- " 15. 12th Sunday after Trinity: Service and sermon at York Harbor, Me.
- " 29. 14th Sunday after Trinity: Holy Communion, and later, service and sermon at York Harbor, Me.
- Sept.** 5. 15th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 11. Evening: Grace, Oxford; preached.
- " 12. 16th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Christ, Rochdale; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 5, and addressed them. P. M.: At Cherry Valley; preached, and confirmed 1. Evening: St. Matthew's, Worcester; preached.

- Sept. 13.** Boston; examination of a candidate. Evening: Good Shepherd, Clinton; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- “ **15.** Ember day: St. Mark's School, Southborough; meeting of the trustees.
- “ **16.** Boston: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- “ **19.** 17th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. Paul's, Stockbridge; catechised and addressed the Sunday school; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. P. M.: South Lee; preached, and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: St. George's, Lee; preached.
- “ **20.** St. George's, Lee; consecrated the beautiful new church (restored since the fire); preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Trinity, Vandeusenville; preached, and confirmed 1.
- “ **21.** Evening: St. James's, Great Barrington; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- “ **22.** Evening: Christ, Sheffield; preached.
- “ **23.** Evening: Trinity, Lenox; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- “ **24.** Evening: St. Stephen's, Pittsfield; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- “ **25.** P. M.: St. Luke's, Lanesborough; preached.
- “ **26.** 18th Sunday after Trinity; St. Mark's, Adams; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. At noon, catechised and addressed the Sunday school. P. M.: St. John's Mission, Williamstown; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, North Adams; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- “ **28.** Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- “ **30.** St. Andrew's, Hanover; *dedicated* the church, renewed and enlarged, which so long ago was consecrated by Bishop Griswold; celebrated the Holy Communion.
- Oct. 1.** Evening: Ascension, Ipswich; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- “ **3.** 19th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Christ, Quincy; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Paul's, Malden; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- “ **5.** A. M.: Good Shepherd, Dedham; married the beloved rector of the church.
- “ **6.** A. M.: St. George's, New York; opening services of General Convention. P. M.: Chapel of the church; House of Bishops met for organization. From this day until late in the evening of Oct. 27, I was at every session of the House of Bishops, morning and afternoon, and finally evening also. On several of the days the two houses sat as the Board of Missions.
- “ **7.** Committee on social reunion of the two houses.
- “ **10.** 20th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Good Shepherd, Brooklyn, N. Y.; preached. Evening: St. Peter's, Brooklyn; preached.
- “ **12.** House of Bishops, Committee on Canons. This committee met nearly every day until the close of the session. P. M.: Reunion of the two Houses of General Convention. Executive Committee of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.
- “ **13.** Holy Trinity Chapel, New York; organization of the “Board of

Appointment" of "the Bishop Paddock" Lectureship in the General Theological Seminary, New York. I pray that God may grant his blessing on this munificent foundation of my revered friend, George A. Jarvis, of Brooklyn, whose name — instead of my own — it would have borne, save for his humility.

- Oct. 17. 21st Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. Peter's, Brooklyn; assisted in the services. P. M.: Addressed the infant school, and the general Sunday school. Evening: Christ, New York; assisted on the occasion of the triennial sermon before the Society for the Increase of the Ministry, Bishop Dudley preaching.
- " 18. St. Luke's: Holy Trinity Chapel, New York; Conference of several committees of the two Houses.
- " 21. Board of Appointment, Bishop Paddock Lectureship.
- " 24. 22d Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Church of the Reformation, Brooklyn; preached. P. M.: Grace, Brooklyn Heights; presided, and made an address at a meeting in behalf of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry. Evening: assisted at St. Peter's, Brooklyn.
- " 27. Holy Trinity, New York, evening: Closing services of the General Convention. At 10 P. M., final session of the House of Bishops.
- " 28. Holy Trinity, New York: Committee to examine and certify changes in the canons.
- Nov. 1. All Saints: Emmanuel, Boston; celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: Annual Meeting of the Corporation of the Episcopal Church Association.
- " 5. Evening: Good Shepherd Mission, Brockton; preached.
- " 6. P. M.: Christ, Swansea; preached.
- " 7. 24th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Ascension, Fall River; preached; confirmed 9, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: St. Mark's Mission; preached. Evening: St. John's Mission; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 8. Evening: Grace, New Bedford; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 9. Evening: St. James's, New Bedford; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 10. Boston; adjourned Annual Meeting of the Episcopal City Mission; Executive Committee of the same, no quorum; Annual Meeting of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents. Later, at St. Paul's Chapel; social reunion of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; presided at and addressed the Annual Meeting of the Auxiliary, Bishop Elliot preaching the sermon.
- " 11. Boston: Executive Committee of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 12. Boston: Trustees of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy.
- " 13. Boston: Committee from a Parish Vestry.
- " 14. 25th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Grace, North Attleborough; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them; addressed the Sunday school. P. M.: Met the Vestry for Conference, the parish being vacant. Evening: Trinity, Wrentham; preached.

- Nov. 16.** P. M.: All Saints', Dorchester; assisted at the burial of the rector's little daughter.
- " **17.** A. M.: Boston; Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the Church Home for Orphans. Evening: Mission, Wakefield; preached, and a brief address on the undertaking to build a church, now happily inaugurated.
- " **18.** St. Paul's, Stockbridge; took part in the burial services, at the church and the grave, of our venerable and dear brother, the Rev. Dr. S. P. Parker.
- " **21.** 26th Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. John's, East Boston; preached; confirmed 18, and addressed them. P. M.: St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls; catechised and addressed the Sunday school; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " **23.** Church Home, South Boston; presided at and addressed the annual meeting of the Corporation, the friends, and the children.
- " **27.** Consumptives' Home, Roxbury; confirmed a woman who was very ill, and briefly addressed the little company.
- " **28.** 1st Sunday in Advent, A. M.: St. Peter's, Beverly; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday school. St. Peter's, Salem; preached.
- " **29.** Boston; attended the "Monday Meeting," and spoke to the clergy of the death of the Rev. Drs. Parker and Van Kleeck.
- Dec. 1.** Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions. City Mission Corporation; Executive Committee of the same.
- " **5.** 2d Sunday in Advent, A. M.: Wellesley College, Wellesley; read service, preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: Met several young ladies of our "Household of Faith," for conversation and instruction. Evening: St. Paul's, Natick; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " **8.** A. M.: Trinity, Watertown, N. Y.; took part in the consecration of the Rev. Legh Richmond Brewer, as Missionary Bishop of Montana, presenting the bishop-elect, and assisting in the laying on of hands.
- " **12.** 3d Sunday in Advent, A. M.: Trinity, Boston; ordained to the priesthood the Rev. F. Baylies Allen, the assistant at that church; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Advent, Boston; preached; confirmed 46, and addressed them.
- " **14.** Bible House, New York; Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.
- " **15.** Ember day; St. Peter's, Brooklyn, N. Y.; assisted in the consecration of my brother, the Rev. John A. Paddock, D. D., as Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory, presenting the candidate, and joining in the laying on of hands.
- " **19.** 4th Sunday in Advent, A. M.: Grace, Brooklyn Heights; took part in the services, and preached. P. M.: Assisted at the same church.
- " **26.** 1st Sunday after Christmas and St. Stephen's, A. M.: All Saints', Dorchester; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.

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- Jan. 2. 2d Sunday after Christmas, A. M.: St. Luke's, Chelsea; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 13, and addressed them. Evening: Evangelists', Boston; preached.
- " 4. Boston; Executive Committee of the Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 5. 1st and 2d examinations of a candidate.
- " 6. Epiphany, A. M.: Boston; assisted at St. Paul's. Evening: Trinity, Milford; preached; and after service had a long conference with the Vestry.
- " 7. Boston; Executive Committee of the City Mission.
- " 9. 1st Sunday after Epiphany, A. M.: St. James's, Cambridge; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 11, and addressed them. P. M.: St. John's, Arlington; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 10. Boston; Meeting of the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.
- " 13. St. Peter's, Cambridge; ordained to the Diaconate Albert St. John Chambré, D. D., late an Universalist minister; preached the sermon.
- " 14. A. M.: Emmanuel, Boston; assisted at the funeral of Dr. Henry M. Saville. P. M.: St. Paul's Chapel; opening prayers at Bishop Huntington's "Instruction" to the "Society of the Royal Law"; later, at the same place, addressed the "Girls' Friendly Society," which Bishop Huntington also kindly addressed.
- " 16. 2d Sunday after Epiphany, A. M.: St. Matthew's, South Boston; confirmed 14, and addressed them. Later, 1 more, detained from being with the class.
- " 19. St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; closed the meeting of the Massachusetts Branch, Woman's Auxiliary.
- " 23. 3d Sunday after Epiphany, A. M.: St. Anne's Chapel, Boston; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them. P. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; anniversary of the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society; assisted and made an address, Dr. W. R. Huntington preaching the sermon. Evening: Grace, South Boston; preached; confirmed 9 (4 being from the Evangelists', Boston), and addressed them. Also spoke briefly in behalf of diocesan missions.
- " 24. Took part in the organization of the "New England Divorce Reform League."
- " 25. Conversion of St. Paul: St. John's, East Boston, assisted by the rector, I married a couple.
- " 26. Evening: St. James's Chapel, West Somerville; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 29. Boston; Executive Committee of the City Mission.
- " 30. 4th Sunday after Epiphany, A. M.: St. Mary's, Dorchester; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 31. Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- Feb. 2. Purification Blessed Virgin Mary: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 3. Committee from the Massachusetts Total Abstinence Society; also committee from a parish vestry.
- " 4. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.

- Feb.** 6. 5th Sunday after Epiphany, A. M.: St. Paul's, Dedham; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 9, and addressed them. Evening: Good Shepherd, Dedham; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 7. Boston; Conference in Behalf of the Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- " 12. Evening: House of Prayer, Lowell; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 13. Septuagesima, A. M.: St. Anne's, Lowell; catechised and addressed the Sunday school; preached; confirmed 32, and addressed them. P. M.: Emmanuel, Chelmsford; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 16. P. M.: St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; closed the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, Bishop Hare making an address. Evening: St. Michael's, Marblehead; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 17. Evening: St. Stephen's, Lynn; preached; confirmed 18; and addressed them.
- " 20. Sexagesima, A. M.: Christ Church, Cambridge; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 9, and addressed them. Evening: Ascension Mission, Cambridge; preached.
- " 21. Boston; Executive Committee Episcopal City Mission.
- " 22. A. M.: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; with the Eastern Convocation, celebrated the Holy Communion, and afterwards presided at the meeting for discussion.
- " 23. Evening: St. Margaret's, Brighton; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 27. Quinquagesima, A. M.: St. Matthew's, Worcester; preached. P. M.: All Saints', Worcester; catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: Same church; preached; confirmed 26, and addressed them; two were from St. Matthew's, then vacant.
- " 28. Evening: Hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, New York; inaugurated with prayers the "Bishop Paddock Lectureship" in the General Theological Seminary, New York. Bishop Williams, of Connecticut, delivered the first lecture in his course on the English Reformation. The munificent founder of the lectureship, my dear friend, Mr. George A. Jarvis, of Brooklyn, N. Y., sat by my side, and rejoiced at the foretaste of the great usefulness of his foundation, which his personal modesty and warm partiality alone kept from bearing the name of the founder.
Same day: The "Board of Appointment" of the Bishop Paddock Lectureship held a meeting.
- March** 1. Same Board held a second meeting.
- " 2. Ash Wednesday, evening: Reconciliation, Webster; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 4. Evening: Trinity, Melrose; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 6. 1st Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge, preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 5, and addressed them. Evening: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.

- March** 7. Boston; Executive Committee Episcopal City Mission.
- " 8. State House, Boston; pleaded before a joint committee of the Legislature, in behalf of amendments in the divorce laws; a committee of our clergy aided in the effort. P. M.: For Trinity, Woburn, confirmed 2 very aged persons in private. Evening: In the church; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 9. Conferences with a committee from a vestry.
- " 10. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; a brief lecture.
- " 11. Assisted at the like service at St. Paul's.
- " 13. 2d Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. John's, Charlestown; preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them. P. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; visited the Sunday school; and later, assisted at the service, my brother, the Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory, preaching.
- " 14. P. M.: Grace, Newton; confirmed 6, and addressed them; my brother, the Missionary Bishop, preaching.
- " 16. St. Paul's Chapel, Boston. P. M.: presided at the meeting of the Woman's Auxilliary, the Bishop of Washington making an address.
- " 17. St. Paul's, Boston; the Noonday Lecture. Evening: St. John's Mission, Fall River; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 19. Boston; conference with the City Mission Committee, and the vestry of Christ Church, Boston.
- " 20. 3d Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 12, and addressed them. P. M.: Emmanuel, Boston; preached; confirmed 19 (1 being from St. Mark's), and addressed them.
- " 21. Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School. Later, introduced to the clergy, at the Monday-morning meeting. Mr. R. Graham, general secretary of the Church of England Temperance Society.
- " 22. Evening: Christ, Hyde Park; confirmed 1 in private, and later, 1 at the church; also preached.
- " 23. Evening: Trinity, Boston; preached; confirmed 48, and addressed them.
- " 24. Noonday Lecture at St. Paul's, Boston.
- " 25. Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, evening: Emmanuel, Somerville; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 27. 4th Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. Thomas's, Methuen; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them. P. M.: Christ Church, Andover; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 29. Boston; Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 30. A. M.: Trinity, Boston; delivered the "Price Lecture." Evening: St. John's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 31. P. M.: Christ Church, Waltham; confirmed 1 in private. Evening: confirmed 14 in the church; preached, and addressed them.
- April** 1. Evening: Messiah, Boston; preached; confirmed 29, and addressed them.
- " 2. Boston: confirmed 1 in private for the Church of the Good Shepherd.
- " 3. 5th Sunday in Lent, A. M.: The Saviour, Longwood; preached; con-

firmed 3, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: St. Paul's, Brookline; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.

- April** 4. St. James's, Cambridge; took part in the funeral services of our venerable brother, the Rev. Dexter Potter.
- " 5. Boston; P. M.: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission. Evening: Ascension Mission, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 6. Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 7. State Fast Day, A. M.: preached at St. Paul's, Boston. Evening: Christ Church, Fitchburg; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 8. A. M.: St. Mark's School, Southborough. P. M.: St. Mark's Church; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Framingham; baptized a child; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 10. Sunday before Easter, A. M.: Grace, Salem; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. P. M.: St. Peter's, Salem; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 12. Tuesday before Easter, evening: St. Thomas's, East Somerville; preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them.
- " 13. Wednesday before Easter, evening: St. James's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 20, and addressed them.
- " 14. Thursday before Easter: Noonday Lecture, at St. Paul's, Boston.
- " 15. Good Friday, evening: Christ Church, Boston; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 17. Easter Day, A. M.: St. Mark's, Boston; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Peter's, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 22, and addressed them.
- " 18. Monday in Easter week, P. M.: Laid the corner-stone of the new Emmanuel Church, Wakefield, and made an address.
- " 24. 1st Sunday after Easter, A. M.: Christ Church, Norwich, Conn.; took the service and sermon in the absence of the rector. P. M.: Trinity, Norwich; assisted in the service, and preached.
- " 27. Boston; St. Paul's Chapel; presided at and addressed the annual meeting of the Girls' Friendly Society.
- " 28. Evening: St. Paul's, Newburyport; opening of the twelfth semi-annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting; sermon by the Rev. Dr. Chambré; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 29. Second day of the meeting: Morning Prayers followed by a public conference on the pending Itinerant Missionary question; later, the celebration of the Holy Communion, and the *Concio ad Clerum* by the Bishop. P. M.: Meeting in behalf of Sunday-school interests. Evening: Final missionary meeting, with addresses.
- " 30. P. M.: St. James's, Amesbury; conference with the vestry; service and sermon; confirmed 1.
- May** 1. 2d Sunday after Easter, St. Philip and St. James, A. M.: St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill; confirmed 7, and addressed them; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: St. James's, South Groveland; catechised and addressed the Sunday school; also preached. Evening: Trinity, Haverhill; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.

- May 2. St. Mark's School, Southborough; meeting of the Trustees.
- " 3. Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- " 4. Evening: Grace, Medford; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 6. Evening: Church of the Advent, Boston; confirmed 1 in private; later, in the church confirmed 51 (including 3 from other parishes), preached, and addressed them.
- " 7. Evening: St. John's, Taunton; vestry meeting.
- " 8. 3d Sunday after Easter, A. M.: St. Thomas's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them. P. M.: Assisted at the baptism of 3 infants, and preached. Evening: St. John's, Taunton; preached.
- " 9. Evening: Trinity, Bridgewater; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 10. P. M.: Christ Church, Fitchburg; married the excellent rector of the parish, the Rev. A. E. Johnson assisting.
- " 11. Evening: St. Matthew's, South Boston; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 15. 4th Sunday after Easter, A. M.: St. Anne's, South Lincoln; preached. P. M.: Waltham Mission; preached. Evening: Addressed a Bible class; afterwards addressed the congregation, and confirmed 2.
- " 17. A. M.: Boston; annual meeting of the Episcopal Clerical Fund; meeting of the Trustees of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen. Later, annual meeting of the Society. P. M.: Meeting of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

This completes the Journal of all official acts, save as elsewhere recorded in lists herewith furnished, up to the opening of this Convention this morning.

Dr. SHATTUCK moved, that so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to a modification of Art. II. of the Constitution be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW moved, as an amendment to the above, that the matter be referred to a special committee.

The amendment of Rev. Mr. WINSLOW was lost. and the resolution of Dr. SHATTUCK was adopted.

On motion,

Resolved, That the delegates from the Church of the Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale, the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham, and St. Peter's, Cambridge, be admitted to seats in the Convention.

On motion of GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.,

Resolved That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the formation of a Church Temperance Society, to the tenure of Church property, to the recommendation of the General Convention for the relief of disabled clergymen and families of deceased clergymen, to the payment of expenses of Deputies to the General Convention by that body, and to the church-building fund, be referred to special committees to be appointed by the Bishop.

On motion of the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN,

Resolved, That the Rev. CHARLES WINGATE be admitted to a seat and vote in the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Constitution and Canons be instructed to report upon the advisability of an amendment to the Canons which shall provide for the election of substitute delegates to represent a parish in the Convention whenever the Lay Delegates are not in attendance, or are called away during its session.

The BISHOP announced the following special committees on the resolution of Dr. SHATTUCK : —

On the Church Temperance Society : —

The Rev. WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.
The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN.	HENRY M. LOVERING.
The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN.	DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph. D.
The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON.	

On the American Church-Building Fund Association : —

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.	FRANCIS C. FOSTER.
The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE. ,	ADIN B. UNDERWOOD.
The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE.	JOSEPH BURNETT.
The Rev. A. C. A. HALL.	

On the Recommendation of the General Convention for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen and Families of Deceased Clergymen : —

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D. D.	EDWARD N. PERKINS.
The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS.	FRANK H. BEEBE.
The Rev. SUMNER U. SHEARMAN.	

On the Expenses of the General Convention : —

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D.	HENRY W. NELSON.
The Rev. JAMES I. T. COOLIDGE, D. D.	EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL. D.

On the Tenure of Church Property : —

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROLD.	ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JR.
The Rev. JOSHUA R. PEIRCE.	LUCIUS L. HUBBARD.
The Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE.	JOHN C. ROPES.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., presented the Annual Report of the Standing Committee : —

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts respectfully present to the Convention their annual report.

The committee was organized on the fourth day of May, 1880, by the election of the Rev. Thomas R. Lambert, D. D., as President, and of the Rev. Henry Burroughs, D. D., as Secretary.

Eleven meetings have been held during the year.

The committee have signed the testimonials required by the Canons recommending to the Bishop the following persons to be admitted as candidates for Holy Orders: Charles Luke Wells, Albert St. John Chambré, D. D., late a minister of the denomination of the Universalists, Joseph A. Ticknor, Henry Rufus Sargent, Charles J. Mason, Archibald Lawrence Van Antwerp, and Endicott Peabody.

They have also signed the canonical testimonials recommending to the Bishop for Deacons' orders, Augustine Heard Amory, David Jacob Ayers, Frank Hagar Bigelow, William Harry Burbank, James Ward Gilman, Paul Sterling, Edmund Radcliffe Woodman, John Alma Bevington, Edward Augustus Rand, late a Congregational minister, Albert St. John Chambré, D. D., Francis Guild Burgess, Frederick Ward Dennis, Samuel Hodgkiss, and Henry Sylvester Nash.

They have signed the canonical testimonials recommending the following Deacons to the Bishop for admission to the priesthood: The Revs. George Hickman Buck, Jeremiah Jewett Cressey, Henry J. Sheridan, Frederic Baylies Allen, Thomas White Nickerson, Frank Hagar Bigelow, Edward Augustus Rand, and Augustine Heard Amory.

The consent of the Standing Committee has been given to the ordination of Albert St. John Chambré, D. D., and of Edward Augustus Rand, as Deacons, after the expiration of six months from the date of their admission as candidates.

By the vote of three fourths of all the members of the committee, consent was given to the admission of the following candidates to the Diaconate within the period of three years since their reception as candidates for Holy Orders: John Alma Bevington, Augustine Heard Amory, Frank Hagar Bigelow, James Ward Gilman, Paul Sterling, William Harry Burbank, Edmund Radcliffe Woodman, and David Jacob Ayers.

The committee also, by a vote of three fourths of all the members, advised and consented to the ordination of the Revs. Jeremiah Jewett Cressey and Henry J. Sheridan, as Priests, within one year from their admission to the Diaconate.

The bills of Mills, Knight & Co. for printing postal cards, amounting to \$2 25, and the Secretary's bill of \$5.00 for envelopes, stamps, etc., were approved.

In accordance with the vote of the Convention, copies of that portion of the last annual report which refers to the preparation of Testimonials were printed and distributed to the clergy and candidates for orders, and Forms for the use of persons seeking admission to the sacred ministry have been prepared and printed in the appendix to the Journal of the Convention of 1880. Copies of the same have been published and sent to the several candidates.

For the Standing Committee,

HENRY BURROUGHS, *Secretary*.

Boston, May 18, 1881.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD presented the Annual Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions : —

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR 1880-81.

The Treasurer's statement, accompanying this report, exhibits in detail the receipts and expenditure for the year.

The total receipts for the year have been \$9,543.76, from the following sources:—

Balance from previous year	\$927 11
From parish offerings	7,503 06
From individual gifts	1,003 00
From interest account	75 00
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society	25 60
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Total receipts for the year	\$9,543 76

Included in the receipts from "parish offerings" are the following receipts from Convocations:—

Central Convocation	\$18 96
Southern Convocation	10 17
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Total from Convocations	\$29 13

The total expenditure for the year has been \$7,464.52, for the following purposes:—

Payment of stipends to parishes and missions	\$6,968 49
Publication and distribution of "The Diocese"	435 53
Expense of semi-annual Missionary Meeting	5 50
Treasurer's expense account	55 00
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Total expenditure for the year	\$7,464 52

One hundred and two parishes and missions have contributed during the year 182 offerings to the treasury of the Board, and a total sum of \$7,503.05, as compared with 110 parishes and missions, 195 offerings, and a total sum of \$8,177.68 the previous year; showing a loss of 8 in the number of contributing parishes, of 13 in the number of offerings, and of \$674.63 in the amount contributed.

The receipts for the year have been \$2,079.24 more than the expenditure, and the balance is carried forward to the account of the new year.

Thirty-two parishes and missions have received missionary aid from the Board during the year, as follows:—

Arlington, Ashfield, Bridgewater, Brighton, Brockton, Cambridge (Ascension Mission), Chelmsford, Cherry Valley, Clinton, Danvers, Dorchester (All Saints'), Easthampton, Fall River, Franklin, Gloucester, Lee, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Nantucket, Natick, Oxford, Peabody, Plymouth, Rochdale, Sheffield, Van Deusenville, Wakefield, Westfield, Wilkinsouville, Woburn, Wrentham.

Somewhat more than the usual changes and vacaucies have occurred during the year in parishes and missions.

St. John's, Arlington, remained vacant a short time during the summer of

1880, following the retirement of Rev. Dr. Haskins. It then came under the charge, June 26, of Rev. C. L. Hutchins, rector of Grace Church, Medford.

St. Paul's Mission, Brockton, remained vacant after the retirement of Rev. Mr. Sanderson, June 1, 1880, until Dec. 15, 1880, when it was placed temporarily in charge of Rev. J. Nelson Jones.

Rev. Prof. A. V. G. Allen resigned charge of Ascension Mission, Cambridge, Nov. 1, 1880. Though it has since remained without regular pastoral care, services have been constantly maintained, and the mission will now have the care of a recently appointed missionary.

St. Anne's, Chelmsford, has been under the charge of Rev. J. J. Cressey, of Lowell, since the retirement of Rev. Mr. Cooley in the autumn of 1880.

Cherry Valley Mission remained without regular care from the time of Rev. Mr. Bailey's retirement—Oct. 15, 1879—until Nov. 2, 1880, when Rev. George E. Osgood renewed regular Sunday services in connection with his rectorship of St. Matthew's, Worcester. His resignation of the latter parish, Jan. 16, 1881, again vacated the mission; a vacancy, however, which will probably be of short duration.

Services were suspended at St. Philip's, Easthampton, by the action of the parish, Nov. 1, 1880, since which date the Sunday school only has been maintained.

Rev. W. T. Fitch, under whose direction and labor the mission work at Fall River has had such successful development, has resigned its charge, his resignation taking effect May 8, 1881.

Rev. Dr. G. W. Porter commenced the holding of a Sunday service at Franklin on Jan. 16, 1881.

St. George's, Lee, has remained vacant since the retirement of Rev. C. C. Adams, in the summer of 1880.

Trinity, Milford, became vacant June 15, 1880, by the retirement of Rev. Andrew Gray from temporary charge. Rev. Wm. J. Alger assumed charge of the parish on Jan. 1, 1881.

St. Paul's, Natick, remained vacant from the date of Rev. B. R. Gifford's retirement—June 1, 1880—until Sept. 1, 1880, when Rev. F. H. Bigelow entered upon the rectorship.

Regular services were resumed at Grace Church, Oxford, Oct. 1, 1880, by Rev. T. W. Nickerson, in connection with his rectorship of Christ Church, Rochdale.

During the vacancy of Christ Church, Sheffield, occasioned by the lamented death of Rev. Dr. Parker, Nov. 16, 1880, regular services were maintained until the parish came under the charge of Rev. H. I. Bodley, of North Canaan, Conn. The Board has recorded its sense of the great loss which the diocese and its missionary interests have sustained in the death of Dr. Parker.

Trinity, Wrentham, became vacant by the resignation of Rev. C. E. Talbot, Feb. 1, 1881.

The statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Board for the past year calls for one or two additional remarks. A large balance appears in the treasury to be carried over to the next year. This is due largely to an unexpected donation to the Board lately made, and to the entirely accidental circumstance that there have been more than the usual number of vacancies during the year in the parishes and missions receiving aid. The scale of expenditure for the past year has not been reduced. It cannot be too strongly brought to the notice of the Convention that the Board for the past three or four years has persistently and strenuously endeavored to economize and scale its expenditures to a sum which

it had reason to believe could be assuredly depended upon from the canonical offerings of the parishes and missions. The canonical provision for these offerings is now so generally recognized that there is an assured minimum sum that may be depended upon as the resources of our treasury. To-day, for the first time, the Board feels encouraged to prosecute its work with greater vigor, and to undertake such new claims as seem most pressing upon its consideration. It is the purpose of the Board to take advantage of its opportunity, and to appeal to the ability and the willingness of the diocese for a generous support in a larger expenditure.

The attention of the Convention was called last year to the fact that the Board had under consideration the appointment of an itinerant missionary for the diocese, and was "only waiting for the necessary increase of receipts to make such appointments." We are gratified to report that a private gift has been made to the Board for this use, and enables the Board to make one such appointment. An itinerant missionary has been appointed, who will probably at once enter upon his duties.

The system of parish pledges for the work of the Board having proved beneficial, the Board submits the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the parishes and all congregations where regular services of the Church are maintained be now called upon, in alphabetical order, by the secretary of the Convention, to state the amount which they may be severally expected to contribute to the treasury of the Board the coming year.

The resolution with which the report concludes was adopted.

In accordance with such resolution, the assistant secretary called the names of the parishes, with the following result:—

Christ, Andover	\$30	Ch. of Our Saviour, Longwood .	\$175
St. John's, Ashfield	15	St. John's, Lowell	40
St. Peter's, Beverly	10	St. Paul's, Malden	50
Advent, Boston	100	St. Michael's, Marblehead . .	20
All Saints', Boston (Dor.) . .	20	Trinity, Melrose	15
Good Shepherd, Boston	100	St. Paul's, Newburyport . . .	100
Messiah, Boston	100	Grace, Newton	50
St. James's, Boston (High'ds) .	100	Grace, North Attleborough . .	10
St. John's, " "	40	St. John's, North Adams . . .	30
St. John's, Boston (Jam. Plain) .	50	Grace, Oxford	5
St. Mary's, Boston (Dor.) . . .	35	Christ, Rochdale	10
Trinity, Boston	1,454	Grace, Salem	60
Christ, Cambridge	100	St. Thomas's, East Somerville .	20
St. James's, "	20	St. Mark's, South Adams . . .	12
Good Shepherd, Clinton	40	St. Thomas's, Taunton	200
St. Paul's, Dedham	100	Trinity, Vandeusenville . . .	20
Good Shepherd, Dedham	15	Christ, Waltham	50
St. John's, Framingham	30	Ch. of Reconciliation, Webster .	150
St. James's, Great Barrington .	25	Ch. of Atonement, Westfield .	15
St. James's, Greenfield	25	St. John's, Wilkinsonville . .	20
St. Andrew's, Hanover	25	Messiah, Wood's Holl	100
Christ, Hyde Park	25	All Saints', Worcester	100
Grace, Lawrence	100	Christ, Plymouth	10
St. John's, Lawrence	50		

On motion of the Rev. E. L. DROWN,

Resolved, That the calling of roll of parishes be resumed at the morning session, as some parishes were not represented this afternoon.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS presented the Annual Report of the Eastern Convocation.

The Eastern Convocation respectfully reports as follows: —

Meetings have been held in June, September, and November, 1880; February and May, 1881; at St. Paul's, Newburyport; St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls; Christ Church, Waltham; the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; and Trinity Church, Haverhill. The last meeting, held the present week, was appointed by the rector to coincide with the twenty-fifth anniversary of the laying of the corner-stone of Trinity Church, and followed the commemoration services held on Tuesday last.

The annual meeting was held at the same time, and resulted in the choice of the following officers: —

Dean. — The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D.

Treasurer. — The Rev. N. K. BISHOP.

Secretary. — The Rev. W. G. WELLS.

Members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation: —

Clerical. — The Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN.

Lay. — Mr. CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

The Treasurer's Report showed offerings amounting to \$96.84. Deducting the amount used for the work of Convocation, left a balance of \$77.69. By vote of Convocation, this amount was forwarded to the Rev. George Walker for repairs of St. Paul's Chapel, Peabody.

The Convocation, in its work and deliberation for the year, has not forgotten the renewed appeal made in its last report (to the Board of Missions) for the appointment of one or more itinerant missionaries. The matter was brought at once before the Convocation by the choice of a committee. That committee issued an appeal to the parishes within the Convocational limits, asking for pledges. The result was unsatisfactory: a majority of the parishes felt that their pledges to the Board represented their ability in the direction of missionary aid.

It was therefore with peculiar satisfaction that we heard, at the meeting in Cambridge, that at a recent meeting of the Board, the difficulty of pecuniary support was removed by the generous offer, through a member, of \$1,500 per annum, for the support of such a missionary at large.

Knowing, from actual exploration, that there is enough work within our limits to tax all the energy of the new missionary, it is to be hoped that not *only* shall we have one missionary for the whole diocese, but in each portion of the State represented by the different Convocations, a faithful laborer shall be engaged in this most necessary work of searching out the scattered sheep, and exploring unoccupied fields.

Convocation renews its offer of support and co-operation, confidently anticipating large results from this advance in the work of the Church in this diocese.

WILLIAM G. WELLS, *Secretary*.

LAWRENCE, May 16, 1881.

The Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS presented the Annual Report of the Western Convocation.

REPORT OF THE WESTERN CONVOCATION FOR THE YEAR
1880-81.

Four meetings have been held during the year, viz.: at Great Barrington, May 31, 1880; at Amherst, Oct. 19, 1880; at North Adams, Jan. 18, 1881; and at Springfield, April 26, 1881.

At the last meeting, the officers elected for ensuing year were: —

Dean. — The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, of Stockbridge.

Secretary. — The Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS, of Springfield.

Treasurer. — The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, of Great Barrington.

The following members of Diocesan Board of Missions were also elected: —

Clerical. — The Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS,

Lay. — Dr. VERMILYE, of Pittsfield.

JOHN C. BROOKS, *Secretary.*

SPRINGFIELD, May 17, 1881.

The Rev. WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D., from the Committee on Nominations to Office, appointed at the last Convention, presented the following Report: —

REPORT.

The committee to whom was referred a resolution introduced into the last Convention with respect to nominations to office, beg leave to report that after having taken into consideration both what was said a year ago, and what has been said since in criticism of the measure as proposed, they recommend the adoption of the following resolution: —

Resolved, That the secretary be requested to have ready for distribution among the members of the next Convention a list of candidates for the Standing Committee, and for any vacancies that may at that time exist in the deputation representing this diocese in the General Convention; the said list to have been previously prepared in the following manner: —

At least four weeks before the time appointed for the meeting of the Convention, the secretary shall cause to be forwarded to the several clergymen entitled to seats and votes in the Convention, and to the delegates elect of the various parishes, circulars stating what offices are to be filled, and by whom they are then occupied, and calling for nominations. Every clergyman and every lay delegation thus addressed shall be entitled to nominate one candidate for each of the said offices.

From the returns received up to and including the Saturday previous to the meeting of the Convention, the secretary shall make out and distribute, *on the first day of the session*, such a list as shall give, in connection with each office, the names of the three persons who shall have received the largest and the two next largest number of nominations, said names to be arranged alphabetically and not otherwise.

In connection with the list, or so joined to it that they may be readily detached, there shall be furnished *blank* forms of ballot for the convenience of voters.

The list provided as above shall be regarded as suggestive only, nor shall anything in this resolution be so construed as to abrogate the right of nomination to any office, in any way now allowed by the rule or usage of this Convention."

It is believed by your committee that the resolution, as thus amended, is no longer open to the objections urged against it when first brought forward, and that the practical working of the scheme would be positively healthy. Should such be found, after trial, to be the case, the resolution ought ultimately to be embodied in a canon ; but for the present it may very properly be regarded as only tentative in its character.

In order to show at a glance what a voting paper under the proposed plan would be like, a sample is appended.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. HUNTINGTON.

CHARLES AREY.

HENRY F. ALLEN.

CAUSTEN BROWNE.

ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JR.

Resolved, That the foregoing report be printed and made the order of the day for to-morrow at twelve o'clock.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D., from the Committee on Divorce appointed at the last Convention, made the following report : —

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DIVORCE, MAY 18, 1881.

The Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts, in his address to the Convention on the 28th of April, 1880, touched upon the increasing frequency and immorality of divorce in Massachusetts, and suggested the creation of a committee to consider this growing evil, and the need and practicability of further legislation in reference to it; the said committee to report in full at the next Convention. In response to this recommendation, the Convention resolved to refer so much of the Bishop's address as relates to divorce to a special committee of six. Your committee herewith beg leave to present the following report.

I. THE CHRISTIAN LAW OF MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

The Christian law of marriage and divorce, as set forth in Holy Scripture, and as this Church hath received the same, is sufficiently clear. It was pronounced by our blessed Lord once in the Sermon on the Mount, and again in discussion with the Pharisees. It is found in the Gospel according to St. Matthew, Chap. v. 31, 32, and in Chap. xix. 3-9, inclusive; St. Mark, Chap. x. 2-12, inclusive; and St. Luke, Chap. xvi. 18. In these well-known passages three things are taught: *First*. That marriage in its first estate, and as now reiterated by the Lord, admits of no polygamy. "They twain shall be one flesh" utterly excludes a third party to this union. *Second*. Marriage is designed to be indissoluble. To put away a wife and marry another, or to put away a husband and marry another, or for a third party to marry the one put away, is pronounced to be an act of adultery. *Third*. One single exception is permitted, which, however, confirms the rule: the marriage bond may not be dissolved, "saving, [as the text reads] for the cause of fornication."

Further, St. Paul, in the First Epistle to the Corinthians (Chap. vii. 10, 11), presents by command of the Lord this rule, "Unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, let not the wife depart from her husband: but and if she

depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband: and let not the husband put away his wife." Here the possibility of a separation upon lower causes is recognized, but not such as to present an insurmountable bar to reconciliation. While absolute divorce from the bond of marriage (*a vinculo matrimonii*) is permitted by the Divine Law but for one cause only, the parties separated as above are regarded as still under mutual bonds, and must remain unmarried or else be reconciled. This rule is usually recognized in Christian countries. There may occur in the married state cases of intolerable hardship, of violent and shameful treatment, of brutal abuse and indignity, which justify application to the civil authority to furnish that protection which the state is bound to furnish all her citizens. In this contingency, the proper court decrees a separation technically styled *a mensa et thoro*, from bed and board. And where the Divine Law influences the terms of the Civil Law, as notably in the realm of England, this legal separation permits neither of the parties to marry again during the lifetime of the other; and so the door of mutual reconciliation is never absolutely closed.

If, then, further, we turn to that passage in the Epistle to the Ephesians (Chap. v. 22, 23), in which the relation of mutual love and support between husband and wife is compared to Christ's tender love and care for the Church, "which is His body"; surely the bond of marriage is invested with a most sacred and tender character, with divine permission for the highest mutual protection, comfort, and affection, with a holy strength of union which no man and no people may with impunity put asunder. And in the preservation of the integrity of the marriage bond lies, we believe, the best hope of the country for right family training, for continued prosperity, for deliverance both from social evils which are not to be named and from the inroads of domestic looseness and immorality, which, as history shows us, is the sure precursor of civil decadence and death.

Our Church in these United States, so far as she has pronounced upon this subject, rules as follows in Title II., Canon 19, "Of Marriage and Divorce":—

"SECTION 1. If any persons be joined together otherwise than as God's word doth allow, their marriage is not lawful.

"SECTION 2. No minister, knowingly, after due inquiry, shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife still living, if such husband or wife has been put away for any cause arising after marriage; but this canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery, or to parties once divorced seeking to be united again.

"SECTION 3 requires that except in case of a penitent person in imminent danger of death, the sacraments shall be withheld from persons married otherwise than as God's word doth allow; and refers cases difficult of decision to the godly judgment of the bishop.

"SECTION 4 refers questions concerning the facts of any case arising under Sect 2 to the bishop.

"And SECTION 5 limits the penalties under this canon to cases occurring after it takes effect."

II. THE GROWTH OF DIVORCE IN MASSACHUSETTS.

The first point proposed for the consideration of this committee is the growing evil of divorce. We confine our inquiries chiefly to Massachusetts. The statistics referred to by the bishop, viz, with ex-President Woolsey's essay and other documents, the exhaustive report of the Hon. Carroll D. Wright, chief of the

Bureau of Statistics of Labor in Massachusetts, show with painful clearness that divorce in this Commonwealth is growing to a portentous extent. We have no reliable statistics prior to the year 1860; but there seems to be no reason to doubt that from the earliest colonial times to that year, the whole number of divorces granted was inconsiderable, and almost all on the ground of adultery. The influence of English law prevailed, the moral tone of the family was more elevated, and the divorce laws were few and simple. From the formation of the Constitution in 1780 to 1810, absolute divorce was allowed only for impotency and adultery, and limited divorce for extreme cruelty. By 1860, eighty years after the Constitution was framed, to these two original causes for absolute divorce three others had been added. In 1870, all limited divorces (*separation a mensa*) were prohibited, and all the causes specified thereto were thereafter to be regarded as causes for full divorce. From 1870, various modifications of the law were introduced, closing, in 1877, with the repeal of the provision authorizing jury trials in divorce suits. There are now, therefore, at this day *nine* distinct causes for which the Supreme Judicial Court of this Commonwealth may grant absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

We learn also from the same authority, that with this relaxation of the law of divorce, the law in regard to marriage after divorce was relaxed. In 1841, the guilty party in all cases of divorce was prohibited from marrying while the innocent party was alive; in 1855, in all cases *except* adultery the guilty party was allowed to marry again; and in 1873, *any* person against whom a divorce had been granted was permitted to marry again. Of this the chief of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor observes, "The uniform and unbroken tendency of these one hundred years has been to make divorce more and more easy of attainment." It seems to your committee that by this facility of divorce, with the free permission to marry again, — to marry, it may be, the guilty partner of crime, — to marry as innocent persons may, without challenge and with brief delay, — a premium is set upon divorce which is tempting, unwholesome, and unworthy of a Christian State.

The facts show that with this relaxation, the ratio of divorce to marriage has steadily increased from 1860 to 1879. In 1860 there was *one* divorce to *fifty-one* marriages. In 1878 there was *one* divorce to *twenty-one and four tenths* marriages. In 1878 the number of marriages per year had increased by a little less than *four* per cent; while the number of divorces steadily increased to *six hundred*, being *two and one half* times greater than in 1860. It is an increase in divorces of nearly *one hundred and forty-seven* per cent, as against *four* per cent increase of marriages. In Vermont, the ratio for the year 1878 was greater, being about *one* divorce to *fourteen* marriages; in the next year, after a modification of the law, it fell to *one* in *twenty-one*. In Rhode Island, below *one* to *twelve*. In Connecticut, below *one* to *eleven*; since then the omission of the "Omnibus Clause" (so called) has reduced the number of divorces. About the same proportions are found, we believe, in New Hampshire; and ex-Gov. Dingley, of Maine, has recently shown that Maine leads all New England in divorces. But we have no reason to compare ourselves with our neighbors, when we find that in Massachusetts one full divorce may be expected in every twenty-two marriages; while the increase of divorces since 1860 is far greater than in any other New England State, unless possibly we except Maine. And we should also remember that while the record of marriages includes those solemnized by the Roman Catholic Church, it is claimed that *the record of divorces does not* cover any of their marriages. In 1878 their marriages in Massachusetts summed up to 3,978. Deducting this from

12,893, we have remaining 8,915 marriages to be compared with 600 divorces, or *one* divorce to every *fourteen and eight tenths* marriages. So that for every *fifteen* Protestant or civil marriages, we may usually expect *one* to end in a divorce! This is "a growing evil." Within *twenty* years "more than *twenty thousand* divorces have been granted in four New England States," i. e., *forty thousand* persons separated. In the New England States it has come to pass that *two thousand* families are now broken up every year, and *four thousand* persons divorced. "Among no Christian or civilized people at this day" (writes Dr. Allen, in the "North American Review"), "do we find divorces sought and obtained to such an extent as in New England, and in only three instances in the history of nations can we find such a breaking up of the family by this means." We might say very much more on this point, but our limits forbid, and surely this is sufficient for the purpose.

III. ITS EVIL.

That this is an evil hardly needs assertion. Marriage, the bond of the family, is ordained of God for the production and nurture of children, for the preservation of chastity, and for mutual education, society, help, and comfort. Its general law of conduct and obligation has been distinctly pronounced upon by the Lord. As the Church of God is sacred, because it draws nurture for immortal life through His divine spirit, the family is sacred, as it is the nursery for the Church and for Heaven, and draws its highest inspiration from the Word and Spirit of God. And as the Church, when its members fail to follow the divine standard, is endangered and exposed to discipline of trial, the family may also expect to suffer, when the law of God in relation to it is forgotten or despised. When, through the ignorance, wilfulness, selfishness, or passion of citizens or law-givers, the marriage bond is degraded to the level of mere human caprice and instability, when the family suffers in the integrity of its foundation, the State, of which the family is an integer, must needs also suffer. No public immorality can be indulged in without a corresponding decadence of the public morals. When for a few generations large numbers of the young are brought into the sight and hearing of loose and immodest views of the marriage bond, and are trained up in utter ignorance of the endearing, elevating influences of a true united home; when they learn to regard domestic contention and disintegration as the normal condition of the family, to hold parents and parental authority in contempt, to despise the opposite sex, and to assert their own individual, wayward independence of the restraining bonds of God's holy laws, — the Commonwealth becomes infected with a malignant poison, a secret cancer, surely wasting its blood and paralyzing the extremities; and if no adequate remedy is applied, it must corrupt and destroy the State and national life.

There are those who honestly fear that a stricter law of divorce would only increase the number of sins against chastity in our midst. But with this we cannot agree. Looseness on this point suggests to the young and to every person intending marriage the very evils which it is most desirable to avoid. Rome under her very loose system of divorce, did not gain, but *lost* virtue, and became fatally corrupted in her families. Under the loose system of divorce in Massachusetts, it appears that since the relaxation of the divorce laws, from 1860 to 1870, by which divorces have increased *two and one half times*, while marriages have increased hardly *four* per cent, and while all convictions of crime, aside from so-called liquor cases, have increased hardly *one fifth*, crimes "against

chastity, morality, and decency " are about *three* times as numerous as formerly. This is the record of public sentences only, not of private acts which never come to light. We dread to think of the extent of the evil in private life of which this is the outward sign and token.

We turn then to the further point suggested.

IV. THE NEED AND PRACTICABILITY OF FURTHER LEGISLATION.

After due consideration of the facts above stated, no one, we think, will question the need of further legislation to bind together that which has been loosed, and to procure, so far as practicable, the reform of this evil. As to its practicability, we are not surprised to find an honest difference of opinion amongst thoughtful men. It is extremely difficult for a legislature to retrace steps or missteps in legislation; for when the way to loose practice is once opened, both legislators and people slide with fatal facility into the easy groove which self-interest, indolence, passion, and a lowering standard of public morals combine together from year to year to smooth and strengthen.

Yet it is encouraging to note how largely this subject is now engaging the attention of godly men of various Christian bodies in our own State and elsewhere. Twelve years ago the diocesan convention in Vermont memorialized the Legislature for two successive years. The results, though slight for a time, were not transient; for in 1877, men of other Christian bodies became active, and with many churchmen united in a further memorial, which resulted in changes of the law which have reduced the proportion of divorces in Vermont. In Connecticut the convention of the diocese has taken a decided stand, and able men of various Christian bodies have united in a Divorce Reform Association, which, growing from an original committee of five appointed by the General Assembly of Congregational churches in Connecticut, has been instrumental in improving Connecticut legislation. It shows how readily citizens of various views may be brought together for a good object, for we see upon the list of this association the names of Hon. Francis Wayland, L. S. Howard, and Rev. Mr. Sage, Baptists; President Foss and the Rev. Mr. Robinson, Methodists; Prof Robinson, of the Law School, a Roman Catholic; Rev. Mr. Chapin, Universalist; ex-President Woolsey, Hon. L. S. Foster, Prof. S. E. Baldwin, Rev. Dr. W. L. Bacon, and Rev. Charles R. Palmer, Congregationalists; Rev. Mr. Hodge, Presbyterian; and of our own Church, Hon. O. S. Seymour, Rev. Dr. Tatlock, Rev. Dr. Beardsley, and Rt. Rev. Bishop Williams. In New Hampshire, committees are at work. In this State, the Massachusetts Divorce Reform Association numbers twenty persons, who are all prominent clerical and lay representatives of the various religious bodies, including two at least of our own honored clergy. In alliance with these State committees, the New England Divorce Reform League has been formed, of which our own Rt. Rev. President is a member. Members of this league and of the Massachusetts Reform Committee and others have recently given testimony in the State House before the Committee on the Judiciary; and the Legislature has been memorialized by the Andover Theological Seminary, the Baptist Theological Seminary at Newton, the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church at Cambridge, the Faculties of Amherst College and of Williams College, the Catholic Union of Boston, the Eastern Convocation of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Massachusetts Baptist Conference, the Suffolk South Association of Congregational Ministers, and others. All this has resulted in modifications of the law, which, though not all that we

could desire to see, are significant of the change for the better which is going on in the public sentiment.

V. WHAT IS OUR DUTY?

What, then, is our duty? The Church has measurably within herself the power of self-vindication and self-purification, and our General Convention has reiterated the Christian law with no uncertain sound; but the present question is involved in the common weal of our State, and is one which, it seems to us, in all Christian honor and charity, we cannot ignore. We cannot stand by and behold this terrible invasion of the strength and sanctity of the marriage bond in our Commonwealth, without raising our voice in earnest protest against it. The pressing need, and the fact that as yet the evil prevails chiefly in the less advanced and more careless class of our citizens, excite the hope that such protest in voice and act and example *will* result in good. We may not look for speedy reform, and reform may not in our time return to the limits of God's spoken law; but the current of all thoughtful minds and well-ordered families everywhere is with us, and He who alone can order the unruly wills and affections of sin'ul men can, in His wisdom, sustain our imperfect efforts, make men to be of one mind, and cause them to love the things which He commands, and to desire that which He promises.

We think, then, that the influence of this Convention should be united to the efforts already inaugurated to procure further reform of the laws concerning marriage and divorce in Massachusetts. This may be done, both by encouraging with our sympathy the efforts of the league and committees above mentioned, and also, if it be the pleasure of this Convention, by directly memorializing the General Court.

Your committee recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolutions: —

1. *Resolved*, That in the Christian judgment of this Convention, the cause of true religion, the welfare of the State, and the purity of families are very largely dependent upon the preservation of the sanctity and inviolability of the marriage bond as God has ordered it in His holy Word.

2. *Resolved*, That this Convention regards with deep apprehension the growing prevalence of divorce, and the great laxity which has crept into the laws and customs of Massachusetts, both as to marriage and divorce.

3. *Resolved*, That in our view this laxity degrades the solemnity and dignity of the marriage bond; it changes separation, necessary as it may sometimes be for the protection of oppressed citizens, into absolute divorce; it suggests to our youth, and to every person intending marriage, the very evils which it is provided to meet; it renders possible and legal that kind of polygamy by which a man may have a succession of wives, and a woman a succession of husbands, all living at the same time; it stimulates selfish and hasty engagements of marriage; it weakens and debases conjugal and family union, deprives children of their natural birthright of a home, and tends to demoralize the minds of youth of both sexes.

4. *Resolved*, That this Convention views with great interest and sympathy the efforts which divers thoughtful and godly citizens are now making in the cause of divorce reform in this Commonwealth and in New England, and cheerfully confirms the service which our right reverend bishop, and any clergyman or layman of our church, has been or may be called upon to discharge in this direction.

5. *Resolved*, That the clergy of this diocese be herewith earnestly recommended to set forth strictly and kindly the moral aspect of this question, at some convenient time or times, in their parochial instructions.

6. *Resolved*, That the Committee on Divorce be continued for one year, to report further to the next Convention, if it shall seem advisable.

7. *Resolved*, That this Convention adopt the following form of memorial and petition to the General Court, and that the said petition be duly engrossed and attested by the secretary of the Convention, and signed by its president; and that the secretary be instructed to have it presented as early as may be to the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The form of the proposed petition is as follows:—

“The Bishop, Clergy, and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, in Convention assembled, held in Boston on the eighteenth and nineteenth days of May, 1881, being deeply moved by the growing laxity of morals in this Commonwealth as to the permanence of the marriage bond and the sacred unity of the family, and believing that the remedy lies largely within the power and wisdom of the General Court, do herewith respectfully memorialize and petition the General Court of this Commonwealth as follows:—

“In view, *First*, of the Christian law laid down in the holy gospels and epistles;

“In view, *Second*, of the alarming frequency and increase of libels of divorce, as shown in recent reports to your honorable body, by which it appears that the number of divorces in the last registered year is *two and one half* times greater than in 1860, and that the ratio of divorces to marriages, which in 1860 was as *one to fifty-one*, is in 1878 as *one to twenty-one and four tenths*; so that to every *forty-four* persons married two are likely to be concerned in a divorce;

“In view, *Third*, that the statute law, ignoring legal separation (*a mensa*), makes all decrees of divorce absolute (*a vinculo*), and allows remarriage to both parties without distinction and with little delay;

“In view, *Fourth*, of the possibility now offered to successive polygamy, by which a man may have a succession of wives, and a woman a succession of husbands, all at the same time living;

“In view, *Fifth*, of the increase of convictions for ‘crimes against chastity, morality, and decency,’ which in the same period with divorce have increased threefold;

“In view, *Sixth*, of the monstrous injury and injustice which frequent divorce inflicts upon innocent children, who, for no fault of theirs, are sentenced to a premature orphanage, and deprived of their natural birthright, which is the right first of all to nurture, protection, government, and an unsullied name, in the very family into which they were born, and at the hands of those very parents whose offspring they are;

“In view, *Seventh*, of the danger which threatens the morals of the people when the sanctity and durability of the marriage bond are impaired and vitiated: danger of strongly suggesting the very evils to be avoided; danger that marriage be hastily entered into and held in low esteem as an affair of convenience, and no longer binding than the selfishness or capricious will of either party may direct; danger of scandal, domestic strife, and immodesty; danger that our youth become demoralized, that the virtue of the people deteriorates, and that premature decay saps the foundations of the State:

“In view of all these considerations, we respectfully pray your honorable body to take such measures as in your wisdom may seem best, —

"*First.* To reinstate the law of divorce upon such basis as to distinguish between legal separation (*a mensa et thoro*) in necessary cases on the one hand, and absolute or full divorce (*a vinculo matrimonii*) on the other hand, and to grant absolute divorce only in cases of well-proved adultery.

"*Second.* To grant liberty to marry again, while both parties live, only to the innocent party in cases of divorce *a vinculo*, and after a lapse of time.

"*Third.* To permit the two parties to an absolute divorce to be reunited together again in marriage, after a lapse of time, provided neither party shall have married in the mean time.

"*Fourth.* To provide, as far as practicable, that the punishment of adultery may be so sure and speedy that no temptation be offered to employ it as an instrument for procuring divorce.

"*Fifth.* To invest the law of marriage and divorce, so far as may be, with such precautions and protective formalities as to elevate marriage in the sight of the people, and so as, by reasonable publication of intention of marriage, to protect the community against hasty, wrong, and secret marriages, and against the risk and shame of numerous divorces.

"Believing that these measures involve through the family the best and truest interests of the State, your petitioners respectfully pray you to apply the needed remedy."

Your committee respectfully submit this report, with the accompanying resolutions, to the Convention.

MALCOLM DOUGLASS, *Chairman*,
GEO. Z. GRAY,
GEO. C. SHATTUCK,
CHAS. H. LEAROYD,
ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JR.,
SUMNER U. SHEARMAN,
Committee on Divorce.

On motion of the Rev. E. L. DROWN,

Resolved, That this house now adjourn to meet for prayer in Trinity Church to-morrow, at nine o'clock, A. M.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 19, 1881.

The Convention reassembled in Trinity Church for morning prayer, which was read through the Psalter by the Rev. GEORGE E. OSGOOD; the Lessons, by the Rev. J. C. WELWOOD; and the remainder of the morning prayer, by the Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON. After singing the one hundred and seventy-third Hymn, the BISHOP closed with prayer and the benediction.

After the religious services, the Convention met for business in the chapel of Trinity Church.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The roll was called, and several members, not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats.

On motion of the Rev. HENRY L. FOOTE,

Resolved, That the reports of charitable associations and other bodies reporting to the Convention to-day shall be received by the Secretary, and published in the usual place in the Journal, but shall not be read, unless the person presenting such report states that some action of the Convention is needed and desired.

On motion of the Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D.,

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Divorce, and the accompanying resolutions, be adopted.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD,

Resolved, That this committee be directed to to have extra copies of the report, or such portions of it as may be expedient, printed from the types of the "Journal" for distribution in the diocese.

The Rev. W. C. WINSLOW, from the Committee on Qualifications, made the following report: —

The Committee on Qualifications have received an application from the Rev. Benjamin R. Gifford to have both a seat and a vote in this Convention, on the canonical ground of ill health at the time of his resignation of the parish of St. Paul's, Natick; and recommend that the said application be granted.

The report was adopted, and the Rev. BENJAMIN R. GIFFORD admitted to a seat and vote in the Convention.

On motion of GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.,

Resolved, That the rules be suspended to admit the Report of the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

The Report was read and accepted by the Convention, and the resolutions appended thereto adopted.

The Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund must refer the Convention to the report of the Treasurer of the Trustees of Donations for a particular account of the fund and the investments.

The fund amounts to a little over \$90,000. The notes of thirty-one parishes are a part of this fund to the amount of \$26,525. Twenty-one parishes contribute semi-annually, but refuse to give notes, though some of them have given written pledges. Your committee regret that they have not succeeded in persuading these parishes to give notes, to which they have a strange reluctance. They do not create a debt by so doing; they only acknowledge it, and in such form as to remind them most forcibly of their obligation to make semi-annual payments, and to make it easier for the Treasurer to collect them. As a fund of \$50,000 had been raised, and largely from individuals on the solicitation of your committees; as, moreover, a house costing \$35,000 had been provided by the liberality of a few individuals, — the Convention decided and voted that all the parishes should be assessed, and all should be called upon to contribute on an apportionment adopted after much deliberation and inquiry, the justice and fairness of which was commended by the votes of several Conventions.

Nineteen parishes still refuse to do anything; some of them plead poverty, and some simply lie low and say nothing. The indisposition and insensibility of these parishes are much more apparent to your committee than their inability. The Italians have a proverb, "Dolce far niente, — how delightful to do nothing"; and these brethren, without the excuse of an enervating climate, echo the same strain, and leave the work to their brethren. Your committee have tried to convince them that their refusal to heed and comply with votes of this body, in which they have a seat and a voice, savors of disorganization and radicalism. They have preached to them and held up to them the parable of the slothful servant, and the commendation bestowed by the Divine Master on the poor widow for her two mites.

Their responsibility, and the solemn obligation of a contract and a promise, have been dwelt upon in our communications with them. It is a sad dereliction of duty on the part of a Convention to fail to perform its promise to meet its solemn obligation. The Bishop has been promised a suitable maintenance, and is expected to devote his strength and energy to the performance of his duties, and should be in a condition to provide for his household their meat in due season, and to meet promptly all his own obligations. To bring this about, each parish must take its assigned part. Our Puritan ancestors put the church above the state, and called upon the latter to provide that everybody should contribute regularly to the support of a wise and learned minister. They also put the soul far above the body; and for the welfare of the former, distraining of goods, bonds, and stripes were employed to encourage the backward in well-doing. Now we have no such incitives to virtuous action. We can only use moral suasion, and we must resort to all such means, and employ them diligently when brethren decline to take their part in a common work, for the neglect of which the whole body must suffer.

Your committee again report an uncompleted work. It is natural that the Convention should find fault. We can plead age; we have not the vigor of youth; we have served seventeen years, and, what is very remarkable, all are alive this day: and this duty should be assigned to younger men. They may be encouraged to assume it by the eminent healthfulness of the occupation. They should have authority to make all arrangements with delinquents, to encourage them in assuming their obligations with a good hope of ability to fulfil them. And then an effort must be made to persuade contributing parishes to give notes. The next Convention should be informed that the work of a Committee to increase the Episcopal Fund has been done, and that such a committee can be dispensed with in future.

We propose, then, the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That this Convention hereby expresses its preference and wish that all parishes who cannot contribute to the fund in cash would give notes.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, to be chosen this year, be instructed and have authority to deal with all delinquent parishes in getting cash to assume and fulfil its obligation, so that the word "delinquent" may not appear in the records of the next Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. C. SHATTUCK.
CHARLES O. WHITMORE.
THOMAS C. AMORY.
J. P. ELLICOTT.
RUSSELL STURGIS, JR.

Dr. SHATTUCK also presented the account of the Trustees of Donations.

The chairman of the Committee on Qualifications reported that that committee have received an application from the Rev. N. H. CHAMBERLAIN, to have a vote in the Convention; and that they report adversely upon his application, as to grant it would conflict with Article II. of the Constitution of the Diocese.

The report was accepted and adopted.

The order of the day, 11 o'clock, having arrived, the Convention proceeded to the election of officers.

Resolved, That in the election of a Treasurer, balloting be dispensed with.

The Rev. CHAS. H. LEAROYD, having been nominated, was unanimously re-elected Treasurer.

Resolved, That in the election of a Registrar, balloting be dispensed with.

The Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET, having been nominated, was unanimously re elected Registrar.

Resolved, That in the election of one clerical member in the substitute delegates to the General Convention, balloting be dispensed with.

The Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN, having been nominated, was elected to fill the vacancy.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for a Standing Committee.

The Chair appointed the Revs. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, EDWARD ABBOTT, and GEORGE S. BENNITT, as tellers on the clerical vote.

And Messrs. LUCIUS L. HUBBARD, HENRY M. SNELL, and FREDERICK L. GREEN on the lay vote.

The SECRETARY called the Roll of the Clergy, and the ASSISTANT SECRETARY the Roll of the Parishes.

The calling of the Roll of Parishes, commenced yesterday, was resumed with the following result, stating the amount which each was expected to give to the Diocesan Board of Missions: —

Emmanuel, Boston \$	Emmanuel, Somerville . . . \$15 00
St. Paul's, Boston 100 00	St. Mark's, Southborough . . 25 00
Calvary, Danvers 10 00	Christ, Springfield 60 00
Trinity, Haverhill 30 00	Trinity, Woburn 7 00
St. Paul's, Nantucket . . . 25 00	St. John's, Arlington 10 00
St. Paul's, Natick 10 00	St. Anne's (Dor.), Boston . . 15 00
Grace Church, New Bedford . 20 00	Ascension, East Cambridge . 20 00
Messiah, West Newton and	St. Paul's, Peabody 10 00
Auburndale 10 00	St. John's, Williamstown . . 5 00
St. Peter's, Salem 100 00	

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS presented the Annual Report of the Southern Convocation.

REPORT OF SOUTHERN CONVOCATION, 1881.

The Southern Convocation would respectfully report that meetings have been held during the past year at the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Boston; St. Paul's Church, Boston; St. John's Church, Taunton; and at the rooms of the Episcopal Church Association, Boston.

The missionary work of the Convocation has been carried on by the members as far as their parochial work would allow; but it is respectfully recommended to the Diocesan Board of Missions to provide additional means for the visitation of portions of the Convocation where there are Church persons living who are not connected with any Episcopal parish or mission.

The officers elected for the current year were:—

Dean.—The Rev. L. W. SALTONSTALL.

Secretary and Treasurer.—The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS.

The delegates to the Diocesan Board of Missions:—

The Rev. ARTHUR M. BACKUS and Mr. J. D. W. FRENCH.

JOSEPH JENKS, *Secretary*.

EDWARD L. DAVIS presented the Report from the Committee on Episcopal Church Rooms.

The Committee on Episcopal Church Rooms, appointed at the last Convention, report that immediately upon the adjournment of the Convention, they issued a circular calling the attention of the churchmen of the diocese to the great need there is of securing, in some way, a convenient building for the various purposes for which the present rooms of the Episcopal Church Association, on Hamilton Place, Boston, are devoted.

The committee have not received such responses to their circular as would enable them to accomplish the object for which they were appointed, but they have succeeded in directing attention to it, and of awakening some interest. They have also gained such information as shows the increasing importance of having in the See city of the diocese a suitable place for the transaction of the business of the diocese, and for the holding of the numerous meetings of its committees and societies.

The rooms now in use on Hamilton Place, although too small for some diocesan purposes, are yet of such real value to us that their abandonment would be a misfortune, and we can see that the substitution of something larger would be a very important means for furthering the interests of the Church.

It is possible that some members of the Convention may not yet realize the extent and the variety of the uses to which these rooms are put.

They serve first of all as an office for the Bishop, when he is in Boston, on Mondays, making it easy for any person desiring an interview with him to have it.

They provide a meeting place for the Clerical Association, the Board of Missions, the Standing Committee, and the various committees of conference and of charity that are from time to time appointed.

They furnish a place where persons seeking information respecting the tempo-

rary supply of clerical services, or information respecting the different parishes or church organizations, may obtain it.

They serve as an agency for the reception and transmission of funds for the numerous charities of the Church, and for giving information respecting them.

They are resorted to by persons seeking clergymen to perform some clerical duty, such as the visitation of the sick, or the burial of the dead, and by numerous other persons, including strangers to the Church. Some come to ask for prayer-books, to find situations where they may gain their daily bread; others, homeless and friendless, reaching here from across the seas, or from distant places in our own land, inquire for respectable boarding-houses where they may be sheltered while seeking employment.

In a word, the purposes to which they are put are so many and so varied, that we would be seriously embarrassed not to have these rooms.

While proving thus so convenient for so many purposes, it is very clear that the time has come when the Church needs something still more; when, in fact, a larger and more conveniently arranged building is demanded.

The committee have made still further inquiry as to the cost of such a structure, and have found that it depends very greatly upon the location, and that under no circumstances could it be secured now, after the recent increase in the value of real estate, for less than \$20,000, while from two to four times that amount could be judiciously expended if it were available.

While the committee cannot urge the diocese to embark in any building operation before the funds are in hand, they earnestly commend this important matter to the attention of laymen of wealth, as one that would do very much towards not only facilitating the work of the Church in the diocese, but would help attest the growing activity and efficiency of our Church in this Commonwealth.

The committee beg leave to offer the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention be authorized to pay to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Church Association the sum of four hundred dollars for the use of the Church Rooms, during the current year, for the meetings of committees and organizations of the diocese.

It is recommended that a committee be appointed for the coming year, with the same duties and powers as those intrusted to the one whose term has expired.

G. W. SHINN.

GEO. Z. GRAY.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

The Report, with the accompanying resolution, was adopted.

On motion of JOSEPH S. FAY, —

Resolved, That the Committee on Episcopal Church Rooms be continued.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., presented the Report of the Massachusetts Church Building Fund.

REPORT OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

The Trustees of the Church Building Fund are not able to report any addition during the past year to its principal, amounting to \$1,017.55.

As has been previously reported, only the income of the present principal of the fund is available for its use, and this has been, as yet, so small that it has

been added to the principal, making the present total of principal and interest \$1,321.24.

The fund has been made the channel for conveying a small gift from the parish of St. Paul's, Holyoke, to the parish of the Atonement, Westfield, towards the erection of its church building, now approaching completion.

The Trustees of the fund cannot but renew an expression of the desire that its existence and object may be generally recognized in the Diocese as a proper and ready channel through which gifts may at all times be made and received for church-erection purposes, and that it may be so enlarged by additional gifts and bequests that its income may be annually a helpful resource for the erection of church buildings in the Diocese.

J. S. BLATCHFORD,
HENRY BURROUGHS,
GEO. C. SHATTUCK,
Trustees.

The hour of 12 M. having arrived, the Convention proceeded to the consideration of the report offered yesterday by the Rev. Wm. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, from the tellers of the clerical vote for a Standing Committee, reported that

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE,	ENOCH R. MUDGE,
The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D.,	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.,
The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D.,	CAUSTEN BROWNE,
	WILLIAM S. GARDNER,

have been elected by the Clergy, and that there is one vacancy in the clerical members.

LUCIUS L. HUBBARD, from the tellers to collect and count the lay vote, reported that the lay delegates had made choice of the following persons : —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE,	ENOCH R. MUDGE,
The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D. D.,	WILLIAM S. GARDNER,
The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D.,	CAUSTEN BROWNE,
	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.,

and that there is one vacancy in the clerical members.

The Convention proceeded to vote for one clerical member of the Standing Committee. The same tellers as before received the votes of the Clerical and Lay Delegates.

JOHN C. ROPES moved that at the completion of the balloting the Convention take a recess until three o'clock.

The motion was adopted.

Resolved, That the Convention now adjourn.

Adjourned.

TRINITY CHAPEL, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented the report of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions presents its fourth annual report as follows:—

Meetings have been held monthly at St. Paul's Chapel, Boston (except in June, July, and August), with an average representation of thirty parishes, the number of ladies present varying from one hundred to two hundred and fifty.

Two public meetings have been held during the year: the anniversary meeting in November in St. Paul's Church, with a missionary sermon by the Rt. Rev. R. W. B. Elliott, D. D., of Western Texas, and a meeting in the same month under the auspices of the Dakota League, with an address by the Rt. Rev. H. B. Whipple, D. D., of Minnesota, on Indians and Freedmen.

The annual report of the society, published in October, shows the following result of their year's work: Boxes sent away, 118, valued \$8,091.44; money received and sent away, \$7,930.26. Total, \$16,021.70,—an increase over previous year of \$2,715.59.

Respectfully submitted,

JANE L. UNDERWOOD,

NEWTON, May 17, 1881.

Secretary M. B. W. A.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, from the tellers of the clerical vote on the Standing Committee, reported that the Clergy had made choice of the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN.

LUCIUS L. HUBBARD, from the tellers of the lay vote, reported that the parishes had chosen the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN.

The Standing Committee is therefore full.

The question coming up on the report offered by the Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D. D., on nominations to office, an amendment was offered by DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph. D., as follows: In the second paragraph of the resolution, after the word "filled," insert the words, "and by whom they are then occupied."

On motion, this amendment was adopted by the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. C. C. GRAFTON,—

Resolved, That the words "all such nominations be treated as strictly confidential," be added at the end of Paragraph 2 of the resolution.

The Rev. CHARLES A. RAND offered as an amendment the following:—

On the afternoon of the opening day of the Diocesan Convention, and immediately after the House is called to order, nominations for office shall be called for by the president, and every clergyman entitled to a seat and vote in Convention, and every Lay Delegation from parishes in union with the same, shall be entitled to offer one nomination for each office to be filled. Such nominations, if seconded, shall form the voting list for use on the following day.

The above amendment was lost.

The question occurring on the original report, a call for a vote by orders was made by three clergymen, with the following result: —

AYES.	CLERGY.	NOES.
The Rev. Edward Abbott.	The Rev. Daniel G. Anderson.	
" Frederick B. Allen.	" Arthur M. Backus.	
" Henry F. Allen.	" George S. Bennitt.	
" Augustine H. Amory.	" Frank H. Bigelow.	
" Charles Arey, D. D.	" Nathan K. Bishop.	
" Levi Boyer.	" Wm. H. Brooks, D. D.	
" John C. Brooks.	" Belne A. Brown.	
" Phillips Brooks, D. D.	" George H. Buck.	
" Frederick Burgess.	" Henry Burroughs, D. D.	
" Malcolm Douglass, D. D.	" A. St. John Chambré.	
" Thomas F. Fales.	" William F. Cheney.	
" P. Voorhees Finch.	" Joseph H. Clinch, S. T. D.	
" Henry L. Foote.	" George S. Converse.	
" James P. Franks.	" Jas. I. T. Coolidge, D. D.	
" Charles C. Grafton.	" Jeremiah J. Cressey.	
" Arthur C. A. Hall.	" Edward L. Drown.	
" Reginald H. Howe.	" George W. Durell.	
" George P. Huntington.	" Walter R. Gardner.	
" Wm. R. Huntington, D. D.	" Andrew Gray.	
" Arthur Lawrence.	" George Z. Gray, D. D.	
" William Lawrence.	" Lewis Green.	
" Charles H. Learoyd.	" Edward M. Gushee.	
" William W. Newton.	" Frank S. Harraden.	
" Thomas W. Nickerson.	" William R. Harris.	
" George E. Osgood.	" Joseph W. Hill.	
" Leighton Parks.	" Charles L. Hutchins.	
" Edward A. Rand.	" Benjamin R. Gifford.	
" Sumner U. Shearman.	" Joseph Jenks.	
" George W. Shinn.	" John A. Jerome.	
" Charles L. Short.	" Alfred E. Johnson.	
" Samuel S. Spear.	" Thomas R. Lambert, D. D.	
" L. C. Stewardson.	" Henry Mackay.	
" L. K. Storrs.	" L. C. Manchester.	
" George A. Strong.	" William H. Munroe.	
" J. Frank Winkley, — 35.	" Edward W. Osborne.	
	" J. Sturgis Pearce.	
	" Joshua R. Peirce.	
	" Augustus Prime.	
	" Charles A. Rand.	
	" Lindall W. Saltonstall.	
	" James A. Sanderson.	
	" Henry J. Sheridan.	
	" James F. Spalding.	
	" George Walker.	
	" William G. Wells.	
	" William C. Winslow, — 46.	

VOTE OF THE PARISHES.

AYES.

Church of the Advent, Boston.
 Emmanuel, Boston.
 St. James's, Boston.
 St. John's, Jamaica Plain, Boston.
 St. Paul's, Boston.
 Trinity, Boston.
 St. Paul's, Brookline.
 Christ, Cambridge.
 St. James's, Cambridge.
 St. John's, Framingham.
 St. James's, Greenfield.
 St. Andrew's, Hanover.
 Grace, Lawrence.
 Our Saviour, Longwood.
 St. Paul's, Malden.
 Trinity, Melrose.
 Grace, Newton.
 Grace, North Attleborough.
 Grace, Salem.
 Reconciliation, Webster.
 Messiah, Wood's Holl, — 22.

NOES.

All Saints', Boston.
 Christ, Boston.
 Messiah, Boston.
 St. John's, Charlestown, Boston.
 St. John's, Highlands, Boston.
 St. John's, East Boston.
 St. Margaret's, Brighton, Boston.
 St. Matthew's, South Boston.
 St. Paul's, Dedham.
 Ascension, Fall River.
 Christ, Hyde Park.
 St. John's, Lowell.
 Grace, Medford.
 St. Paul's, Newburyport.
 St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
 St. Peter's, Salem.
 Emmanuel, Somerville.
 Christ, Waltham.
 All Saints', Worcester, — 19.

So the motion was lost by non-concurrence.

By suspension of the rules, the Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET, Registrar, presented his annual report.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH REGISTRAR.

There have been received in this department during the last Conventional year as follows: —

A bundle of papers from the Standing Committee of this Diocese from May, A. D. 1879, to April 29, A. D. 1880, also another bundle from the same source, containing papers from April 29, 1880, to May 18, 1881, through the reverend secretary of that committee; also the Journal of the Ninetieth Convention of this Diocese, from the reverend secretary thereof; and from the secretaries or registrars of their respective Dioceses, Journals for 1880 of Albany, Arkansas, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Long Island, Maine, Mississippi, New Jersey, New Mexico and Arizona, Northern New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, Texas (including 1878 and 1879), Vermont, Western New York, and Wisconsin, for all which copies of the Journal of this Diocese for 1880 have been sent in return.

Edward R. Cogswell, M. D., of Cambridge, Mass., has also presented one copy each of Journals of the General Convention in the United States for the years A. D. 1859, 1862, and 1865. He has also given "The Churchman" (newspaper), containing a daily report of proceedings of the General Convention in A. D. 1874, and another copy of the same publication containing proceedings of the same body in A. D. 1877.

This department has also received from Mr. J. Gardner White, of Cambridge, "The Apostolical Commission," a sermon preached at the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Leonidas Polk, D. D., in 1839, by the Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D. D. There have also been presented by the same gentleman "The Second Annual Report of the Church Reading-Room, A. D. 1863," and the "Constitution of the Church Union Auxiliary Society, of Christ Church, Cambridge, Mass."

Miss Cecilia St. Clair Elton, at the Church Reading-Room, Boston, has given the Journal of the General Convention for A. D. 1880.

A sermon preached Dec. 28, A. D. 1879, by the Rev. Charles H. Learoyd, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Taunton, has been added to the collections of the Registrar by the preacher.

A memorial sermon of the Rev. Edward A. Washburn, D. D., preached in St. Paul's Church, Newburyport, Mass., Feb. 6, A. D. 1881, by the Rev. Edward L. Drown, has been given by Edward S. Moseley, Esq., of that place.

John S. Blatchford, Esq., of Boston, has sent "Abstract of the Records of the Trustees of Donations in this Diocese," No. II., 1870-1880.

Inquiry has been made within a few days for a historical pamphlet received by my predecessor, and catalogued by him. A search for the book wanted, in that part of the collection of the Registrar which is at hand, proved unsuccessful. This pamphlet will doubtless be found in one of the four parts into which, from necessity, the collection has been divided, and which are separated from each other by more than twenty miles. The Registrar is thus again reminded of the need of a fire-proof room for his department, which at present more nearly resembles "a library kicked over" than an orderly assemblage of books and papers.

We are told that during the sojourn of the children of Israel in the land of Egypt, "their officers did see that they were in evil case after it was said, 'Ye shall not minish aught from your bricks of your daily task.'" But after the bricks were made, they were undoubtedly disposed of in due order. This, however, cannot be said of the Registrar's collections.

About one year since there was issued "A Proposal for an Episcopal House," by a committee appointed for that purpose. The various wants which such a "house" would supply were briefly set forth. The needs of the Registrar's department might well have been added.

The Registrar has learned very lately from Miss Elton, of the Church Rooms, that not unfrequent wishes are expressed to consult Journals of this and other dioceses, and also other Church documents. The number of these in the rooms named is very limited. Probably a large part of the material so often desired is in the keeping of the Registrar, and if it was in a central place could be examined. Should the room asked for by this department be provided, the key of the same might be left with a trusty person (Miss Elton), who, under proper rules, would grant all reasonable requests to use the contents of the apartment reserved for the purpose named.

WM. S. BARTLET, *Church Registrar.*

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, from the Committee on Printing, made the annual report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

The Committee on Printing would respectfully report that under the resolutions of the Convention, fifteen hundred copies of the Journal, five hundred

copies of Constitution and Canons were issued. Two editions of the Bishop's Triennial Charge, of a thousand copies each, were printed, and the Charge was stereotyped.

The committee gave the printing to the lowest bidder, and the estimate was as follows: For the Journal, \$2.00 per page; Constitution and Canons, \$25; for the Bishop's Charge, for each thousand \$1.35 per page, and stereotyping thirty-five cents per page.

JOSEPH JENKS, *Chairman*.
GEO. W. SHINN.
JOS. H. CLINCH.

On motion of JOSEPH S. FAY,

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing consist of the Rev. JOSEPH JENKS and the SECRETARIES of the Convention, and that the Journal be printed under the direction of the Committee on Printing.

The Rev. HENRY L. FOOTE presented the report of the Central Convocation.

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL CONVOCATION, 1881.

SOUTHBOROUGH, May 17, 1881.

In the absence of the Secretary, the Dean of the Central Convocation would report that there have been held three meetings: one in June, at St. Mark's, Southborough; one in November, at All Saints', Worcester; and one in February, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton. The meetings have been interesting, and considered of unusual profit.

At the June meeting the Rev. H. L. Foote and Mr. James H. Howe were elected as members of the Board of Missions of the Diocese.

J. I. T. COOLIDGE, *Dean of the Convocation*.

The Central Convocation of the Diocese has met according to rule, three times during the Conventional year, at St. Mark's Church, Southborough; at All Saints' Church, Worcester; and at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton.

It is to be regretted that a larger attendance of the laity cannot be secured for these services, and thereby a greater impulse be created and interest given to the purpose in view.

GEORGE STURGIS PAINE, *Secretary*.

SOUTHERN CONVOCATION, 1881.

President, ex officio. — The Bishop of the Diocese.

Dean. — The Rev. J. I. T. COOLIDGE, D. D.

Secretary and Treasurer. — The Rev. GEORGE STURGIS PAINE.

EDWARD N. PERKINS presented the annual report of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.

REPORT OF THE MARGARET COFFIN PRAYER-BOOK SOCIETY,
APRIL 18, 1881.

During the past year, the twenty-fifth of its existence, the Society has distributed gratuitously 1,017 prayer-books, 695 hymnals, and 50 mission services as follows, viz.: in Massachusetts, 737 prayer-books, 390 hymnals, and 50 mission services; in New Hampshire, 50 prayer-books and 25 hymnals; in Maine, 80 prayer-books; in Nebraska, 25 hymnals; in Hayti, 100 prayer-books: making a total of 1,762 volumes.

The total receipts have been \$1,467.22.

Expenditure for printing and purchasing books and insurance	\$1,132 17
Balance to new account	335 05
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	\$1,467 22

The payment of the legacies mentioned in the last report raises the permanent fund to \$11,500. With increased means the Society hopes to obtain as soon as practicable a new set of stereotype plates (to replace the old, now quite worn out and unfit for use), from which to print the Society's edition of the prayer-book.

The annual service was held (by the kind permission of the rector) in St. Paul's Church, on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 23. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Huntington, of Worcester. The Bishop (who is President of the Society) was present and assisting, and made a short address, after the excellent sermon, enforcing the claims of the Society on the Church. The offertory amounted to \$72. The Society is greatly indebted to the clergy, who accept its invitation to preach in its behalf, and offers them its grateful acknowledgment of their services.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Clerk.*

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., presented the annual report of the Society for Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF
WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

This Society reports to the Convention that the present value of the Annuity Fund is \$59,286.65. Twenty-eight clergymen are contributors to this Fund, and the cash value of the Annuities, discounted at four per cent, is \$35,200, leaving a surplus, over all liabilities, of \$24,086.65.

The income from investments of this Fund for the year was \$2,756.22, which sum, with a part of the cash on hand, making in all \$3,182.37, has been invested. The amount received from contributing clergymen was \$385, and the representatives of four clergymen deceased have received \$350.

The Charity Fund, which has received the sum of \$4,897.30 from the estate of the late Rev. William Horton, D. D., now amounts to \$37,010.

The income of this Fund was \$2,161.85, of which \$1,832.72 was derived from investments, \$45 from payments for membership, and \$284.13 from contributions.

During the year the sum of \$1,500 from the income of the Charity Fund has been distributed among the families of ten clergymen deceased.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY BURROUGHS, *Secretary*.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES presented the annual report of the Massachusetts Church Missionary Society.

REPORT OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This Society respectfully report to the Convention that they have not been engaged in active work during the past year, as, since the adoption of the present Canon, they have co-operated with the Diocesan Board in sustaining missions in the Diocese.

They have contributed to the treasury of the board the interest accruing from their trust funds. For the administration of trusts committed to them their organization is maintained. The following officers for the ensuing year have been elected: —

Vice-Presidents. — JAMES S. AMORY, MARTIN L. BRADFORD.

Secretary. — Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.

Treasurer. — STEPHEN G. DEBLOIS.

Executive Committee. — The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., Rev. WILLIAM W. NEWTON, Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL, RUSSELL STURGIS, Jr., HENRY S. CHASE.

THOMAS F. FALES, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON presented the following report from the Committee on Constitution and Canons: —

REPORT.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred a suggestion in the Bishop's address to the effect that certain words of Article II. of the Constitution might advantageously be modified, respectfully report as follows: —

The present Constitution was adopted in the year 1875. It will be remembered by those who were present in the Convention at that time, that upon no point was debate more earnest or more thorough than upon this very question of the clerical franchise. On the one hand it was argued, that all clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese and not under ecclesiastical censure should be allowed votes as well as seats in the Convention, whether engaged in any sort of active duty or not. On the other hand, various speakers urged that both reason and experience dictated the wisdom of limiting the franchise by certain sharply drawn lines. The latter view finally prevailed by a decisive majority, and the clause fixing the conditions of the clerical right to vote was adopted in its present form.

It is plain that under any system of restricted franchise, no matter how ingenious it may be, special cases of apparent and sometimes of real hardship are almost certain to emerge. In civil life nothing is more common than for a citizen to lose his vote, and sometimes, in very important emergencies, in consequence of legal requirements which, although they happen to bear hard on the

individual personally, are nevertheless on the whole beneficent in their operation as respects the interests of all. There would seem to be no good reason to give why, upon this point, the ecclesiastical should be made any more pliable than the civil law.

The matter is not one in which considerations of sympathy or of sentiment should govern. What has been proposed in the present instance is that so much of the second article of the Constitution as prescribes service in a *parish in union with this Convention*, as one among the several qualifications recognized as sufficient to confer upon a clergyman the right to vote, be stricken out, and thus the way be opened for conferring this privilege on every minister actively engaged in pastoral duty, whether his cure enjoy the official recognition of this body or not.

Cures thus disconnected from the Convention may be of three sorts: (1) The case may be that of a parish legally organized and contemplating union with the Convention at earliest possible moment; or (2) the parish may be one which for this or that reason, satisfactory to itself, does not choose to take the preliminary steps necessary to union with us; or (3) the case may be that of a clergyman's making his own field of work by starting out on his own responsibility, and generously establishing a place of worship for his neighbors at his own expense. In the first of these three cases the grievance, if it be such, of withholding the franchise from the clergymen interested is at the worst only temporary; it heals itself. In the other two instances there are, it must be kept in mind, compensating privileges to be balanced against the loss of a vote. In the instance of the permanently unattached parish, certain pecuniary burdens are escaped; while by the minister of the chapel built by private enterprise, a largeness of personal liberty is enjoyed in exchange for which many a regularly settled parish priest would cheerfully yield his right to vote once a year in this Convention. Doubtless the ballot is a blessing, but doubtless also it is not the only blessing known to man.

Your committee do not think it wise to dwell upon the undesirability of encouraging the spread of unattached churches and chapels, for fear lest their doing so might be construed as an indirect censure of that most praiseworthy work of devout beneficence which has won for the promoter of it, even at the cost of his vote, the heightened respect and grateful affection of all his brethren. It may, however, be suggested that even in such a case as this, did the clergyman interested desire it, his disability might be readily removed, under the existing law, by the simple expedient of becoming connected with the Board of Missions. Your committee simply give it as their deliberate judgment that unless the Convention is prepared to reopen from the foundation, and thoroughly to rediscuss the whole question of the clerical franchise, it is undesirable to alter the existing text of the Constitution. They recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON.
MALCOLM DOUGLASS.
EDWARD M. GUSHEE.
WILLIAM S. GARDNER.

The report was accepted, and the committee discharged from further consideration of the subject.

J. MORTON CLINCH, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, reported that no unfinished business remained over from the last Convention.

The Rev. HENRY L. FOOTE, being nominated to fill the vacancy in the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, caused by the death of the Rev. Samuel P. Parker, D. D., was, on motion, elected.

The BISHOP appointed the following special committee to nominate persons to fill vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions : —

The Rev. JAMES F. SPALDING.
 “ “ WILLIAM LAWRENCE.
 “ “ GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON.

CHARLES C. HAYES, M. D.
 LUKE H. WHITNEY.

On motion of the Rev. JOHN A. JEROME,

Resolved, That the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund be continued.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, from the Special Committee on the American Church Building Fund Commission, made the following report : —

REPORT OF THE AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMISSION.

The committee to whom was referred a portion of the Bishop's address relating to the American Church Building Fund Commission, present the following report : —

They have given to the subject such a measure of attention as the proceedings of the Convention would allow, and most heartily unite in the earnestness with which it has been commended to their attention.

They propose the following action : —

Resolved, That the three members of the general commission from this Diocese, appointed at the last General Convention, — the Rev. Wm. R. Huntington, D. D., E. R. Mudge, and Geo. C. Shattuck, M. D., — with four others to be appointed by this Convention, be a committee to serve as an auxiliary from this Diocese to the General Commission.

GEO. S. CONVERSE.
 ARTHUR LAWRENCE.
 A. C. A. HALL.
 FRANCIS C. FOSTER.
 A. B. UNDERWOOD.
 JOSEPH BURNETT.

The report was accepted, and the appended resolution adopted.

On motion, the Committee on Hospitality of last year was continued.

On motion of the Rev. EDWARD L DROWN,

Resolved, That the Rev. CHARLES H. MALCOLM, D. D., General Secretary of the American Church Building Fund, be invited to address the Convention.

The invitation was given by the CHAIR, and the Rev. Dr. MALCOLM addressed the Convention on the object of his mission.

The CHAIR appointed the following committee on the resolution appended to the report of the Committee on the American Church Building Fund Commission : —

The Rev. WM. R. HUNTINGTON, D. D.	ENOCH R. MUDGE.
" " HENRY F. ALLEN.	DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph. D.
" " DANIEL G. ANDERSON.	ROBERT T. PAINE, Jr.
	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., from the Committee on the Expenses of the General Convention, presented the following report : —

The committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the payment of expenses of members of the General Convention, respectfully report that the following communication in reference to this subject has been received from the Committee on Expenses of the General Convention : —

6 NEWBURY STREET, BOSTON, April, 1881.

Reverend and Dear Sir, — Will you be good enough to read this letter at the next meeting of the Convention of your Diocese, and to invite an expression of opinion from the Convention in reply to the questions asked in it?

By reference to the journal of the General Convention you will see that the matter of providing for the expenses of the deputies was brought up in both houses. On page 214 of the journal you will find a resolution offered by the Bishop of Virginia, that, the House of Deputies concurring, it is incumbent on the several Dioceses to make provision for the entertainment of their own deputies to the General Convention. The Assistant Bishop of Kentucky offered the following as a substitute: That it be referred to a committee of three bishops, three presbyters, and three laymen, to consider the expediency of increasing the assessment to be paid by the Dioceses to the General Convention, so as to pay the expenses per diem of the bishops and the clerical and lay deputies.

On page 41 of the journal of the House of Deputies you will find that Mr. Blair, of Maryland, offered a resolution, That, the House of Bishops concurring, it be referred to a committee of three bishops, three clergymen, and three laymen, to consider and report as to the expediency of so increasing the assessment upon the Dioceses as to enable the General Convention to pay the expenses incurred by the clerical members in attending its sessions.

This was referred to the Committee on Expenses. Their reports will be found on the one hundred and fourth and one hundred and twenty-seventh pages, in which they mention that they have ascertained the travelling expenses of the members of this Convention to be \$30,242, and to provide for the travelling expenses of the bishops and deputies of the next Convention, an assessment of ten cents on each communicant must be laid, or of \$10 on each clergyman.

At the same meeting it was voted, — That the Committee on Expenses be empowered to sit during the recess, and to take full and final action touching the travelling expenses of members of the next General Convention.

The committee ask for information if any provision is now made in your Diocese for the travelling expenses of the bishop and deputies to the General Convention. They also invite an expression of opinion from each Diocesan Convention whether

it is best that the General Convention should undertake to provide these expenses by an assessment on each Diocese. The sum of ten cents upon each communicant would be the smallest assessment providing enough to meet these expenses. You can easily calculate the assessment on your Convention.

There is a very great difference in the travelling expenses of the bishops and deputies of different Dioceses. A sum of nearly \$3,000 must be provided to pay the travelling expenses from California and Oregon to Philadelphia; of \$1,350 from Texas to Philadelphia; from Arkansas, \$956. From New York or Maryland the amount would be only \$50.

A prompt answer to this communication is very desirable, so that the committee can take early action if this course is recommended by the Diocesan Conventions.

G. C. SHATTUCK,

Chairman of Committee on Expenses.

This Convention is now invited to express its opinion upon the question whether it is best that the General Convention should undertake to provide these expenses by an assessment on each Diocese.

This will involve an addition of probably one and a half per cent in every three years to the amount now assessed upon the several parishes. It, however, appears to your committee to be just and equitable that those Dioceses which are near to the place of meeting of the General Convention should share with those at a distance the expense of attending its meetings, and they beg leave to offer the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, it is best that the General Convention should undertake to provide for the travelling expenses of the bishops and deputies to the General Convention.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention communicate this expression of opinion to the chairman of the Committee on Expenses.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY BURROUGHS.
EDWARD L. DROWN.
J. I. T. COOLIDGE.

Resolved, That the report be accepted, and the resolutions adopted.

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY read the following paper from the SECRETARY of the General Convention:—

To the Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts:

SIR, — In compliance with the requirements of Article 8 of the Constitution, I would hereby officially make known, through you, to the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts, the following proposed changes in the Book of Common Prayer of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, adopted by the General Convention of 1880, and to be finally acted upon by the General Convention of 1883, to wit:—

It was, by concurrent action (*vide* Journal of Convention, pp. 156, 157-159, 161, 162, 181, 182, 185-187, 188, 225, 251, 263, 273, 291, 292, 299, 300, 303, 316) of the two houses of the General Convention of 1880, —

Resolved, That the ratification of the Book of Common Prayer be amended so as to read as follows, and that such proposed amendment be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, in order that it may be adopted in the next General Convention, according to Article 8 of the Constitution:—

THE RATIFICATION OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

By the Bishops, the Clergy, and the Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in General Convention assembled.

The General Convention of this Church, having heretofore — to wit, on the sixteenth day of October, A. D. 1789 — set forth and established a Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, and thereby established the said book and declared it to be the Liturgy of this Church, and required that it be received as such by all the members of the same, and be in use from and after the first day of October, A. D. 1790; the same book is hereby ratified and confirmed, and ordered to be the use of this Church from this time forth.

But note, however, that on days other than Sunday, Christmas day, the Epiphany, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and Ascension Day, it shall suffice if the minister begin morning or evening prayer at the General Confession, or the Lord's Prayer, preceded by one or more of the sentences appointed at the beginning of Morning and Evening Prayer, and end after the Collect for Grace, or the Collect for Aid against Perils, with 2 Cor. xiii. 14, using so much of the Lessons appointed for the day, and so much of the Psalter, as he shall judge to be for edification.

And note, also, that on any day when morning and evening prayer shall have been duly said, or are to be said, and upon days other than those first aforementioned, it shall suffice, when need may require, if a Sermon or Lecture be preceded by at least the Lord's Prayer and one or more Collects found in this book; *provided*, that no prayers not set forth in said book, or otherwise authorized by this Church, shall be used before or after such Sermon or Lecture.

And note further, also, that on any day the Morning Prayer, the Litany, or the order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper, may be used as a separate and independent service, provided that no one of these services shall be disused habitually.

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,
Secretary of the House of Deputies.

MEDFORD, MASS., May 2, A. D. 1881.

The Treasurer of the Episcopal Church Association presented the annual Report of that Body: —

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

Boston, May 18, 1881.

The work of the Association has been continued during the past year. The attendance has been fully as large as in previous years. Over two hundred meetings of Church organizations and committees have been held at the Rooms. One hundred and twenty clergymen not of this Diocese have registered their names since the last report.

In October last, the Treasurer, Mr. George Dexter, resigned.

At the annual meeting of the Association held Nov. 1, 1880, the following officers were elected: —

Honorary President. — The Right Rev. BISHOP of the Diocese.

President. — Hon. E. R. MUDGE.

Vice-Presidents. — JOSEPH S. FAY, R. T. PAINE, Jr.

Treasurer. — ROBERT M. LAWRENCE.

Clerk. — HENRY M. UPHAM.

Directors. — CHARLES H. JOY, JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, WILLIAM C. LOVERING, JOHN H. STURGIS, CHARLES G. SAUNDERS, HENRY S. CHASE.

The financial condition of the Association is encouraging. The receipts are not yet sufficient, however, to meet the current expenses.

The Treasurer, therefore, respectfully calls the attention of the Convention to the importance of continuing the appropriation of four hundred dollars which was voted last year.

The number of annual subscribers and donors has largely increased during the past few months; of the former there are now one hundred and ten, and of the latter seventeen.

It seems reasonable, therefore, to hope that the Association may, before long, become self-supporting.

Respectfully submitted, for the Board of Directors.

ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, *Treasurer.*

On motion of the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS D. D.,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by the Chair to which shall be referred the communication from the General Convention concerning the proposed amendment of the Ratification of the Prayer-Book; that Committee to report to the next meeting of this Convention, with reference to the desirableness of memorializing the General Convention as to the proposed amendment.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D. D., from the Committee on the Relief of Disabled Clergymen of the General Church, and of the Families of Deceased Clergymen, offered the following report:—

Resolved, That in accordance with the resolution passed at the General Convention of 1880, the Rector, or Minister in charge, of each parish or mission in this Diocese, be requested to reserve from the "Communion alms," at least *once a month*, not less than one per cent nor more than ten per cent of the whole amount for "The Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen."

CHARLES AREY,
LEIGHTON PARKS,
S. U. SHEARMAN,
E. N. PERKINS,
FRANK H. BEBEE,

Committee.

JOSEPH S. FAY moved that the subject of the above report be postponed to the next Convention.

The motion was lost.

The resolution appended to the report was adopted.

The CHAIR appointed the following persons as the Committee on the Resolution of the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D.:—

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D.
The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.
The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D. D.

JOSEPH S. FAY.
W. S. GARDNER.

The Rev FREDERICK BURGESS, from the Executive Committee, made the following report : —

The Executive Committee recommend that the next annual Convention be held on the fifth Wednesday after Easter, 1882, the opening services in Trinity Church, Boston, and the business sessions in the chapel of Trinity Church, to commence at 9 A. M. of that day.

The Committee nominate as the preacher the Rev. Leander C. Manchester, and the Rev. Percy Brown as substitute.

FREDERICK BURGESS, *Chairman.*

The report was adopted.

The Rev. JAMES F. SPALDING, from the Committee to nominate a Board of Missions, reported the following names : —

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN.

H. HYDE SMITH.

The Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE.

FRANCIS C. FOSTER.

To serve for four years.

The Rev. C. C. GRAFTON moved, as a substitute for the above, the election of the retiring members of the Board.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD.

ENOCH R. MUDGE.

The substitute was, on motion, adopted, and the persons named were elected.

The Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON, from the Finance Committee, made the following report : —

The Committee on Finance beg to report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the past year, and find them correct and properly vouched for. They further recommend that the assessment for the coming year be laid at one and one half per cent of the rector's salary of the respective parishes.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS W. NICKERSON,

For the Committee.

The report was accepted, and the recommendation adopted.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D. D., from the Special Committee on the Church Temperance Society, made the following report : —

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as touched upon the possible formation of a Diocesan Temperance Society, respectfully report that they have considered the subject, and recommend the passage of the following resolutions : —

Resolved, That this Convention have heard with interest and with cordial approval of the steps recently taken in the city of New York to enlist the members of the Church at large in more active efforts for the suppression of intemperance.

Resolved, That in view of the fact that the American Church Temperance Society has not yet, so far as appears, completed its organization, and is still, as respects its attitude towards the General Church, on the footing of a purely voluntary society, it would be, at the present moment, premature, for this Convention, as a Convention, either to organize of its own motion a Diocesan branch, or to give to such branch, if voluntarily formed, any directly official status.

Resolved, That it be recommended to rectors of parishes, throughout the Diocese, to interest themselves in the establishment of parochial societies in harmony with the principles set forth by the Church temperance societies of this country and of England, it being distinctly understood, however, that in the framing and working of such parochial societies, a large liberty ought to be enjoyed of adapting means to ends and employing special methods to meet local needs.

For the Committee,

WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman*.

The report was accepted, and the resolutions with which it concludes were adopted.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE,

Resolved, That the resolution in regard to offerings from Communion alms for the benefit of widows and orphans of Clergymen be printed and sent to every minister of the Diocese.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D. D., from the Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the resolution of the Committee on Qualifications in reference to substitute Delegates, reported as follows:—

The Committee to whom was referred the above resolution report that there is no recognition in the Constitution or Canons of this Diocese of substitute delegates, and they recommend the passage of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention be instructed, in distributing the customary forms of certificates, to notify the parish clerks that "substitute" delegates cannot under that name be received, and that in the case of certificates containing the names of more than three lay delegates, only the three first named will be considered as delegates within the meaning of the Canon.

The report was adopted.

The SECRETARY presented the Annual Report of the Episcopal Clerical Fund Association:—

EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND.

The secretary of the Episcopal Clerical Fund, in making the annual report to the Convention, would state that the Society, during the past year, as heretofore, has endeavored with its best care and judgment to distribute among six beneficiaries the income derived from its small investments, and the contributions received from a few of the parishes of the Diocese.

From the account of the Treasurer, which is herewith presented, it appears that the invested funds amount to \$10,200. The interest thence derived, added to about \$900 received from parochial contributions and a balance from last year, bring the income of the year now closed to \$1,952.10.

The legacy of the late William Horton, D. D., amounting to \$4,897.30, has been received and added to the invested funds. We trust that God will yet put it into the hearts of others of His servants whom He has made stewards of this world's goods, when they are about to make a final distribution of their estates, to devise liberal things for our poor but richly deserving charity.

Better still, that they would become their own executors, and with their own living hands consecrate their gifts to God and to His service; imitating the generous and munificent example of our excellent treasurer, who, at the late annual meeting of the Society, placed in the Bishop's hands, for the objects of the Fund, the sum of \$10,000, as a memorial to his son, the late Randolph M. Clark, thus doubling the invested capital of the Society, and raising its amount to \$20,000.

The Society again feels constrained to express its surprise and regret that not quite one fifth of all the parishes in the Diocese have been moved to make any contribution for an object so commendable and so important as that which the Episcopal Clerical Fund was organized to carry out, — an object in which the great body of the clergy ought to feel a deep personal interest; for however they may abound with "the true riches," it is very rarely that a large share of "the unrighteous mammon" is intrusted to them. The great majority of them must depend for support solely upon their annual stipends; and when sickness or infirmity or old age withholds them from active labor in the vineyard, what a comfort and a blessing must it be to feel that they are not left wholly destitute, — to know that there is, in our Society, a friend to whom they can turn for relief, without the degrading sense of being objects of charity, whose benefits they have a *right* to ask for, and to receive.

It would be exceedingly desirable if the funds of our Society could be so much increased, that, beyond granting aid to the indigent, aged, and infirm clergy, an addition might be made to the income of those who labor in weak and small parishes. In some of our Dioceses such a "sustentation fund" exists; it would be well if ours might follow so good an example.

For the Society,

JOSEPH H. CLINCH, *Secretary*.

The SECRETARY presented the Report of the Church Home for Orphans : —

REPORT OF THE CHURCH HOME FOR ORPHAN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN.

The Church Home continues to perform its quiet work to the extent of its power. Forty children have been admitted during the year, — an unusual number, which we hope is an indication of better times, as it betokens an equally unusual number restored to their parents, who have permission to claim them again when able. The applications, however, still far outnumber the vacancies, and the Home is always full. It has not escaped the epidemics so prevalent during the last year, but they have been of so light a type as to cause more anxiety to the matrons than suffering to the children.

There have been but three baptisms since the last report, and one death, — that of a little child, sickly from his birth.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. C. BOND, *Secretary*.

The SECRETARY presented the report of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd : —

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

This Board was incorporated to erect and hold tenement houses, the income from which is for building and supporting chapels in the city of Boston.

At present the Board holds one house, the "Huntington House," and one chapel, the "Church of the Good Shepherd."

A debt upon the "Huntington House," originally \$28,000, has been reduced to \$18,500, and the chapel has been provided for the church; free of charge.

When the above debt is paid, the trustees will be enabled to do an important work in this community.

TRUSTEES.

President, E. R. MUDGE.

Treasurer, J. D. W. FRENCH.

Clerk, J. W. WOODS.

J. G. ABBOTT.

G. P. DENNY.

C. H. JOY.

C. P. GARDINER.

G. H. PETERS.

R. T. PAINE, Jr.

J. S. FAY.

E. MERWIN.

R. H. RICHARDS.

H. STOCKTON.

A. ROTCH.

G. WALKER.

JOSEPH W. WOODS, *Clerk*.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Rector and Wardens of Trinity Church, and to the Committee on Hospitality, whose kindness contributed so amply to the comfort and convenience of the members of this body.

On motion of the Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider the whole subject of the qualifications of the Clergy of the Diocese for voting in the Convention, with instructions to report at an early time at the next session of the Convention.

The CHAIR appointed the following committee : —

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

The Rev. S. U. SHEARMAN.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL. D.

Resolved, That, after reading the minutes and action thereon, and the usual devotional services, the Convention adjourn.

The minutes were read and approved.

After prayer and benediction by the BISHOP, the Convention adjourned, *sine die*.

Attest :

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,

Bishop of Massachusetts.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH,

Secretary.

WM. HENRY BROOKS,

Assistant Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

EXTRACT

FROM THE

Canon of the General Convention of 1853.

Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time.

SECTION 1. — As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every minister of this Church, or, if the Parish be vacant, the warden, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the president of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his Parish or Church; also the state and condition of the Sunday schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the communion alms, the contributions for missions (diocesan, domestic, and foreign), for parochial schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other clergyman not regularly settled in any Parish or Church shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in the Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, AMESBURY.

[No report.]

GRACE CHURCH, AMHERST.**The Rev. FREDERICK BURGESS, *Rector*.****HORACE WARD and O. E. COUCH, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 2; total, 13. **Confirmed,** 6. **Communicants,** 80. **Funeral,** 1. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$59 42. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, **Easter,** \$29.09. Collections in church, \$313.68; subscriptions, \$1.164; interest, \$22.50; investments, \$155; other sources, rent of rectory, etc., \$325; total, \$2,009.27. Parish library, \$50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$500. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,618.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$17.15; sufferer by an explosion at Wendell, \$15.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$32.65.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Domestic missions in general, \$7.75. Indian Mission, \$7.50. Foreign missions in general, \$8.27. Total for missionary contributions, \$48.52.

Total of contributions, \$2,699.86.

REMARKS.

The valuation of the church property is the same as in former years.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANDOVER.**The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D., *Rector*.****HENRY G. TYER and WILLIAM WHITMAN, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 9. **Communicants:** Admitted, 7; received, 5; total added, 12; died, 3; removed, 9; total lost, 12; present number, 103. **Marriages,** 2. **Funerals,** 7. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 79. **Church:** Value, \$8,000; sittings, 300. **Parsonage:** Value, \$3,375. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,375.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$93.27. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$492.73; pew rents, \$58.50; subscriptions, \$837.25; donations, \$5; investments, \$485; other sources, \$13.17; total, \$1,891 65. Sunday school, Christmas, and Easter festivals, \$48.90. Increase and improvement of church property, \$646.58; new church carpet, \$141; closing up of parish debt, and balance for improvement of lecture room (by proceeds of fair), \$979.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,800.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$40.96, included in current expenses. Convention Fund, \$15, included in current expenses. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$13.78. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, from Sunday school, \$3. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, from Sunday school, \$3. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$5. Protestant Episcopal Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$3.40. Sunday-school collection for "Young Christian Soldier," \$4.70. Total for objects without the parish, \$32.88.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$38.68. Domestic missions in general, \$8; mission to colored people, \$3.14; school books for colored people, \$2; mission to Jews, \$3; Indian missions, clothing, \$39.55; Mrs. H. S. K. Heywood's bequest of clothing for Indians and freedmen (including \$6 60 cash for freight), \$113.55; clothing for Kansas refugees, \$9; Sunday school, to White Earth (Indian) mission, \$5; Sunday school, to Salt Lake City mission, \$5; Sunday school, to Dry Grove mission, Miss., \$5; total, \$231.92. Foreign missions in general, \$5; Sunday school, to Orphan Asylum Cape Palmas, Africa, \$5; Sunday school, to Wuchang, China, \$5; Sunday school, to St John's College, Shanghai, \$3; Sunday school, Lenten offering to general missions, \$8; to J. Robert Love, M. D., for books and instruments, \$50; to the same from Sunday-school tables at the fair, \$15; total, \$96. Total for missionary contributions, \$356.60.

Total of contributions, \$4,190.33.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, *Rector*.

ALBERT GRIFFITHS and WILLIAM WILSON, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 3. Communicants (before reported), 50. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

From pledges for support of church, \$130; through the offertory, \$174.94; for lay reader, \$87.10; miscellaneous, \$85.35; total, \$486.30.

REMARKS.

The present Rector took charge of the parish last autumn. Since then, the congregations have more than doubled in size, and the prospects of the parish are very encouraging.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.

The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, *Rector*.

MOSES COOK and ADDISON G. HALL, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms : Infants, 1. Communicants : Received, 2; died, 2. Present number, 31. Funerals, 6. Sunday school : Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 19. Church : Value, \$2,000; sittings, 200. Parsonage : Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$12.10. All current expenses, including Rector's salary : Offerings at the offertory, \$74.38; donations, \$31; total, \$105.38. Care of church, \$14. Tax on rectory, \$8. Total for objects within the parish, \$139 48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$2. Sunday-school memorial to Bishop Bass, \$3. Total for objects without the parish, \$5.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19 80. Total for missionary contributions, \$19 80.

Total of contributions, \$164.28.

REMARKS.

Services were somewhat interrupted during the severe and long winter, partly by the poor health of the Rector, and partly by the inclemency of the weather. The circumstances of the parish have not changed materially during the year. The Rector received an Easter gift of \$100 through the hands of the treasurer of the Diocesan Board of Missions, for which his grateful thanks are due.

Some forty bags of apples were sent from the parish to the poor of Boston last fall.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEVERLY.

The Rev. JOHN CORNWELL WELWOOD, *Rector*.

JOHN D. LOVETT and AUSTIN D. KILHAM, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms : Infants, 15. Confirmed, 2. Communicants : Admitted, 2; received, 10; total added, 12; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 63. Marriages, 3. Funeral-, 9. Sunday school : Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 74. Church : Value, \$8 000; sittings, 231. Lot for parsonage : Value, \$1,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary : Offerings at the offertory, \$1,061.22; subscriptions, \$475; donations, \$375; other sources, \$133; total, \$2,044.22. Parish library, \$25. Parochial missions, \$10; other parochial objects, \$80.17. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,159.39.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$56. Convention Fund, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$66.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6. Domestic missions in general, \$2. Total for missionary contributions, \$8.00.

Total of contributions, \$2,233.39.

REMARKS.

During the past year the parish has received, in addition to what is reported above, a gift of five hundred dollars from a generous lady of the parish as a foundation for subscriptions for a rectory. Besides this we have secured one of the most eligible building lots in the town, through the liberality of another lady of the parish, who conveyed to the church her interest in it for the purpose of building a rectory.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, *Rector*.

The Revs. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, WALTER RUSSELL GARDNER, EDWARD WILLIAM OSBORNE, JOSEPH WARREN HILL, *Assistants*.

GEORGE CHEYNE SHATTUCK, M. D., and EDWARD NEWTON PERKINS, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 124; adults, 33; total, 157. Confirmed, 95. Communicants: Admitted, 94; received, 26; total added, 120; died, 18; removed, 45; total lost, 63; present number, 771. Marriages, 30. Funerals, 104. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 32; scholars, 300. Colored Mission Sunday school: Teachers, 6; scholars, 35. Men's Bible class, 40; women's class, 70. St. John's boys' school: Teachers, 8; scholars, 15.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, and alms-chest for the poor, \$1,372.36. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$13,982.24; investments, \$872.49; total, \$14,854.73. Increase and improvement of church property, \$35,809.49. Parish burial ground, \$90. Total for objects within the parish, \$52,126.58.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Christian or theological education, \$894. For other objects without the parish, \$606.29. Total, \$1500.29.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$60. Domestic and Foreign missions in general, \$288. Total of missionary contributions, \$348.

Total of contributions, \$53,974.87.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 5; total, 23. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 28; received, 1; total added, 29; died, 1; removed, 11; total lost, 12; present number, 116. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$97 01. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,324.14; other sources, \$154.19; total, \$1,478.33. Sunday school, \$73.30; Sunday-school library, \$25.63; increase and improvement of church property, \$68.71. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,742.98.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15.00. For the Relief of Aged, Disabled, or Indigent Clergymen, \$4.67. Theological Education, \$4.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$24.42.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.32. Domestic missions in general: Missions in Washington Territory, \$12.98. Domestic and Foreign missions, \$3.30. Total for missionary contributions, \$37.60.

Total of contributions, \$1,805.00.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., *Rector*.

JOHN FOX and THOMAS MAIR, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 13; received, 5; total added, 18; died, 6; removed, 12; total lost, 18; present number, 160. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 140. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 700. Value of houses, \$18,200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$48,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$263.85; pew rents, \$261; donations, \$811.85; investments, rents of houses, \$1,190 89; total, \$2,527.59. Sunday school, \$246.90. Other parochial objects, \$185.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,959.99.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$22 50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$5. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$3. Total for objects without the parish, \$35.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$5. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40. Domestic missions in general, \$10; Dakota League, \$4; materials for boxes for Women's Auxiliary, \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$79.

Total of contributions, \$3,074.49.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN S. ROTCH and JOHN HOGG, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 6; total, 27. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 18; received, 32; total added, 50; died, 5; removed, 9; total lost, 14; present number, 300. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 147.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$780.80; all current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$12,565.86; total, \$13,345.-66. Sunday school, \$377.74. Parochial missions, \$339.50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$4.50. Women's Missionary Department, \$700. Dorcas Committee, \$216.07. Additional alms, \$75.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$18,954.47.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$280; Convention Fund, \$87 50; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$251.73; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$1,224.79; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$1,132 84; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$25; Christian or theological education (Society for the Increase of the Ministry), \$320; Hampton School, \$141 30; Free Hospital for Women, \$150; by Dorcas Committee for poor women, \$885 43; Seabury Divinity School (Easter), \$1,936.34. Total for objects without the parish, \$6,434.93.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$412 76; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,000; St. Anne's Church, Lincoln, \$50; Church of the Messiah, Boston, \$100; Christ Church, Quincy, \$100; Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl, \$150; St. John's Church, Roxbury, \$100; Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, \$200; Fall River Mission, \$25; total, \$2,137.76. Domestic missions in general, \$1,050; St. John's Church, Maine, \$25; Bishop Clarkson, \$125; Bishop Tuttle, \$128 (from Sunday school), Church of the Holy Cross, Florida, \$25; Bishop John Paddock, \$25; by Women's Missionary Department ("Spirit of Missions"), \$32 10; domestic, \$2.00; Indian, \$165; Freedmen, \$23; value of missionary boxes, \$931.73; total, \$2,531.83. Foreign missions in general, \$1,550.39; by Women's Missionary Department, \$292 50; Mexico, \$137.20; total, \$1,980.09. Total of missionary contributions, \$6,649.68.

Total of contributions, \$32,039.08.

EVANGELISTS' CHAPEL, BOSTON.

The Rev. B. B. KILLIKELY, *Minister in charge, and Assistant of Trinity Church on the Greene Foundation.*

Baptisms: Infants, 49; adults, 8; total, 57. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 34; total added, 45; died, 8; removed, 13; total lost, 16; present number, 250. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 24. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 31; scholars, general, 241; infant class, 131; total, 403. Sewing school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 175; total, 181. Girls' Industrial School: Officers and teachers, 7; pupils, 50; total, 57. Chapel: Value, about \$13,000; sittings, about 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Offerings at the offertory, \$104.95; collections in church, \$148.33; special offerings, \$60; Sunday school, \$61.-44. Total for objects within the parish, \$374.72.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.00.

Total of contributions, \$389.72.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, *Rector*.

J. D. WILLIAMS FRENCH and ROBERT H. RICHARDS, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 40; adults, 8; total, 48. Whole number of confirmed persons in connection with the parish, 306. Communicants: About 260. Marriages, 24. Funerals, 42. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 31; scholars, 206. Sewing school: Teachers, 7; scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$559.69; alms chest, \$57.47; total, \$617.16. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,667.38; donations, \$55; other sources, \$18 20; total, \$2,740.58. Sunday school, \$132.43; sewing school, \$19; other parochial objects, \$338 63. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,847.80.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$59.75. Convention Fund, \$27. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$24.63. Christian or Theological Education, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$136.38.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions in general, \$82.47. Foreign missions in general, \$48. Total of missionary contributions, \$230.47.

Total of contributions, \$4,214.65.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE HICKMAN BUCK, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 32; adults, 1; total, 33. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Present number, about 100. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 26. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 180. Sewing school: Teachers, 3; scholars, 45. Church and chapel: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: sittings, 125. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$125. All current expenses: Collections in church, \$568.18; fair in May, 1880, \$185; other sources, \$255; Sunday school, \$52.44. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,185 62.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.75. Domestic missions in general, \$18. Right Rev. J. A. Paddock, D. D., Easter collection of the Sunday school, 25. Foreign missions in general, \$23. Total of missionary contributions, \$85.75.

Total of contributions, \$1,271.37.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector*.The Rev. PERCY CLINTON WEBBER, *Assistant*.CAUSTEN BROWNE and SAMUEL RICE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 7; total, 22. Confirmed, 29. Communicants: Admitted, 29; received, 18; total added, 42; died, 1; removed, 15; total lost, 16; present number, about 300. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 650; chapel, \$7,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$37,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$6,116.95. Sunday school, \$53.91; church decoration, \$180; for poor, \$200; for Christmas festival, \$108.12; for Easter festival, \$216.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$6 875.73.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$41; Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$10.40. Total for objects without the parish, \$51.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.13. Domestic: Freedmen, \$6; by Ladies' Mission Aid Society, \$30; by Sunday school, \$97.09; for Dakota League, \$36. Foreign missions in general, \$6. Total for missionary contributions, \$193.22.

Total of contributions, \$7,122.35.

REMARKS.

A box of clothing valued at \$87 has been sent to the family of a missionary in Texas.

This is the fourteenth year that this parish has kept up the weekly celebration of the Holy Communion, and daily morning and evening prayer.

ST. ANNE'S CHAPEL (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. JOSHUA R. PEIRCE, *Minister in charge*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 14; total added, 26; removed, 2; present number, about 95. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 118.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$979.20; offerings and receipts from sales, etc., towards the payment for the organ, \$938.75; alterations in chapel, \$63.55. Sunday-school offerings: Towards communion service, \$44.85; Christmas festival, \$36; Christmas decorations, \$13.50; Easter flowers and festival, \$31. Total, \$2,106.85.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$13. Domestic missions in general, \$12. Lent and Easter offering of Sunday school, \$17; for missionary at Ashland, Maine, \$5. Foreign Missions in general, \$12; Dr. Love, missionary to Hayti, \$9. Total for missionary contributions, \$68.

Total of contributions, \$2,174.85.

REMARKS.

The Minister in charge desires, in behalf of the congregation of St. Anne's, to acknowledge with gratitude the very acceptable gift of \$50, from the Sunday school of St. James's Church, Roxbury, towards the extinction of the debt upon the organ.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH (ROXBURY), BOSTON.

The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, *Rector*.

The Rev. J. R. PEIRCE, *Minister in charge of St. Anne's Chapel*.

W. RAYMOND LEE and ATHERTON T. BROWN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 8; total, 19. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: Present number, 280. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$483 96. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$6,359.58. Sunday school, for various objects, \$260.52; parochial missions, \$94.38; Christmas decoration, \$63.66; Benevolent Society, \$341.86; Employment Society, \$331.86; Aid Society, \$100; Easter collection for church debt, \$784.16. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,820.18.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$110 97. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$72.25. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$79.73. Total for objects without the parish, \$262.95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$48.20. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$95.43. For missionaries in Massachusetts, by Aid Society, \$290. Domestic missions in general, \$54.62; Indian scholarships, \$120; St. Paul's School, Yankton, through "Helping Hand," \$64.90; for Indian chief, Central New York, \$25; for missionary in Northern Texas, through "Helping Hand," \$141.50. Foreign missions in general, \$79.62; for scholarship in China, \$60. Total for missionary contributions, \$979.27.

Total of contributions, \$10,062.40.

REMARKS.

The report of the Rev. J. R. Peirce, minister in charge of St. Anne's Chapel, accompanies this, and shows a steadily increasing growth in the work under his care.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (HIGHLANDS), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, *Rector*.

The Rev. WILLIAM BAMFORD BURROWS, *Deacon, Assistant*.

DAVID CONNERY and JOHN FORSYTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 46; adults, 1; total, 47. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Present number, 275. Marriages, 14. Funerals, 33. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 260.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms-chest, \$39.61. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$3,488.28; Sunday-school offerings in addition to amount of Indian scholarship, \$43.38; increase and repairs of church property, \$297.60; for Christmas festival and Easter flowers, \$52.40; for communion flagon, \$180; for Thanksgiving dinners, \$14; for Employment Society, \$56.92; special offering, \$6.13. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,173.27.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40. Domestic missions in general, \$29.69; for support of scholarship in Niobrara, Indian mission, by Sunday school, \$60; for St. George's Church, Leadville, Colorado, \$25. Foreign missions: For Rev. Dr. Love, Hayti, \$52.35; for support of bed in the hospital in China, \$30. Total for missionary contributions, \$237.04.

Total of contributions, \$4,485.31.

REMARKS.

Boxes of clothing have been prepared and sent as follows: —	
By the Dakota League Chapter of St. John's Guild, one box for the Indians, value	\$50
By the Missionary Chapter of St. John's Guild, one box for Mrs. Fair's school, Africa, value	25
By St. Mary's Chapter of St. John's Guild, one box for Mrs. Buford, Virginia, value	55
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Nineteen women have received work from the Employment Society.

Mr. Russell Sturgis, Jr., has kindly aided in the work of the parish by teaching a Bible class for adults on Sunday afternoons during the winter. The average attendance has been about thirty.

A year ago there were presented to St. John's two chalices and patens for the communion service, and on last Easter day there was placed in the church a carved altar of black walnut. These gifts — beautiful in design and workmanship — are in loving memory of three holy women now in Paradise, to whom the Master's work was dear.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT), BOSTON.

The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D. D., *Rector*.

GEORGE N. FISHER and FLORIMOND A. DOWNING, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 76; adults, 7; total, 83. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Present number, 315. Marriages, 26. Funerals, 34. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 215.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$215.43. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,915; offerings at the offertory, \$363.48. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,493.91.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42. Convention Fund, \$18. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, 10. Total for objects without the parish, \$70.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Bishop Garrett (Sunday school in memoriam), \$50; Rev. J. J. Enmegahbowh (mite-chest), \$24.15; general (mite-chest), \$24; Bishop Clarkson (mite-chest), \$25; Jews, \$6. Total for missionary contributions, \$129.15.

Total of contributions, \$3,693.06.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (EAST BOSTON), BOSTON.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE, *Rector*.

GEORGE H. PLUMMER and CAPT W. A. PARKER, U. S. N., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 43; adults, 4; total, 47. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Present number, 196. Marriages, 17. Funerals, 52. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 175. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 450. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$552.99; collections in church, \$793 88; other sources, \$975.08; total, \$2 321.95. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,321 95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.

Total of contributions, \$2,341.95.

REMARKS.

We are much encouraged. A strong, vigorous parish may be built up in this place, with the divine blessing.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, JAMAICA PLAIN.

The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, *Rector*.

FRANK W. REYNOLDS and JOHN W. MCKIM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; adults, 3; total, 19. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 21; total added, 31; died, 1; removed, 19; total lost, 20; present number, 207. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 180. Church: Value, \$11,000; sittings, 475. Chapel: Value, \$1,800; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$350.11. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$200; pew rents, \$3,079.79; subscriptions, \$863.44; total, \$4,143.23. Sunday school, \$141 17; Sunday-school picnic, \$66.67; Christmas festival, \$105.79; Easter festival, \$60.50; parish building fund, \$2,087.21. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,954.68.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$87.50; Convention Fund, \$87.50. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$12. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$48 60; Christian or theological education, \$51.26; erection of churches and chapels, \$20; House of Good Samaritan, \$12; parish missionary association, \$50.40. Total for objects without the parish, \$345.26.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$63.45. Domestic missions in general, \$21.50; Indian missions, \$25; Dakota League, \$30; Mrs. Payne's salary, \$10; total, \$86.50. Foreign missions in general, \$21.50; Mexican League, \$25; Lydia Mary Fay scholarship, \$10; Miss Pitman's salary, \$10; total, \$66.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$216.45.

Total of contributions, \$7,516.39.

REMARKS.

Of the amount mentioned in the above report as for the building fund, \$1,330.48 has been obtained through the instrumentality of the parish guild. The balance, \$756.73, has been received from the monthly offerings for that object.

The parish missionary association have sent away two boxes: one to St. John's School for Indian girls, at Cheyenne, valued at \$38.50; the other to Jackson, Miss., in aid of the work of Rev. J. L. Tucker, D. D., valued at \$85.

Since Easter, subscriptions and promises aggregating \$6,500 have been obtained for the building fund. This work is still going on, and the success of the plan to build a new church edifice seems to be assured.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH (BRIGHTON), BOSTON.

The Rev. AUGUSTUS PRIME, *Rector.*

THEODORE T. S. LAIDLEY and JOHN HUBBARD STURGIS, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 2; total, 13. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 22; received, 18; total added, 40; died, 3; removed, 2; total lost, 5; present number, 85. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 52. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,159.98; donations, \$105; sick and poor, Christmas and Easter decorations, etc., \$103. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,367.98.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.

Total of contributions, \$1,399.98.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, *Rector*.

JACOB H. HATHORNE and EDWARD H. SPRAGUE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 8; total, 12. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 15; total added, 25; died, 7; removed, 11; total lost, 18; present number, 207. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 24. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH — Alms at Holy Communion, \$315.92. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$545.92; pew rents, \$2,806.19; subscriptions, \$550; donations, \$80; total, \$3,982.11. Sunday school, \$90. Other parochial objects, \$19.70. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,407.78.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$182.50; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$10; Christian or theological education, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$197.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions in general, \$20; Indian missions, \$19; Freedmen, \$15; total, \$54. Foreign missions in general, \$10; girls' school, Cape Palmas, \$50; girls' school, Shanghai, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$154.

Total of contributions, \$4,759.23.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (DORCHESTER DISTRICT), BOSTON.

The Rev. L. W. SALTONSTALL, *Rector*.

JOHN P. CLAPP and DANIEL B. STEDMAN, Jr., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 4; total, 17. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Present number, 125. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 122. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$13,100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$195.17. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$51.21; collections in church, \$251.87; pew rents, \$1,546; subscriptions, \$129; donations, \$700.81; total, \$3,208.89. Sunday school, \$26.71; other parochial objects, \$159.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,444.06.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$30; erection of churches and chapels (Atonement, Westfield), \$2.35; Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, \$34.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$103.61.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36.64. Domestic missions in general, \$177.37. Foreign missions in general, \$117.99. Total for missionary contributions, \$332.

Total of contributions, \$3,839.67.

FREE CHURCH OF ST. MARY FOR SAILORS AND OTHERS, BOSTON.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Minister in Charge and City Missionary.*

RICHARD L. THOMAS and PETER EAGAN, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 24. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Died, 2; removed, 2; present number, 88. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 66.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$47.30. All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory, \$222.52; Sunday-school offertory, \$10.43; Easter flowers, \$11.59; from Men's Guild for Christmas decorations, \$11.56; from Parish Aid Society for Sunday-school Christmas expenses, \$25; other sources for Christmas and Easter, \$30; proceeds of sale for poor of parish, \$65; from Parish Aid Society, \$22.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$445.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$4.81.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Episcopal City (Boston) Mission (Sunday-school Easter offering), \$7.57; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12.55. Total of missionary contributions, \$20.12.

Total of contributions, \$470.83.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, *Rector.*

DAVID CLAPP and HENRY W. NELSON, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 68; adults, 8; total, 76. Confirmed, 30. Communicants: Admitted, 30; received, 10; total added, 40; died, 20; removed, 10; total lost, 30; present number, 425. Marriages, 35. Funerals, 56. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 250. Parochial school: Teachers, 10; scholars, 80. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 650. Chapel: sittings, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$321. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$760.50; pew rents, \$2,260.69; investments in behalf of church debt, \$778; other sources, \$70; total, \$3,970 19. Sunday school, \$250. Parochial missions. St. Matthew's Chapel, \$200. Rector's Bible class, \$75. Various charities, \$75. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,891.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70. Convention Fund, \$30. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25. Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$27. Special for theological students, \$15. Church at Ipswich, \$10. Various objects, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$201.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.20. Domestic missions in general, \$277.58. Deaf-mutes, \$7. For the Jews, \$8.25. Foreign missions: Hayti, \$20; John Wright scholarship, Jaffa, \$25; Joseph H. Clinch scholarship, Africa, \$30; Rosa Nicholson Bed,

China, \$30; Mexico, \$10; Cuba, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$439.03.

Total of contributions, \$5,531.22.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Dr. Chambré assisted in the work of the parish during four months, and did much good in reaching and influencing many who had no love for the church before. The Rev. Mr. Disbrow has also assisted during the year, and chiefly at times when the Holy Communion was administered.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, *Rector*.

FRANK W. BAKER, *Lay Reader*.

CHARLES R. TRAIN and HENRY A. TURNER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 3; total, 9. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 30; total added, 42; died, 6; removed, 15; total lost, 21; present number, about 430. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 248.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$528.31. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Subscriptions, reduction of debt, \$1,633.09; other sources, \$16,658.88; total, \$18,820.28. Sunday school, \$363.98. Parochial missions, advisory board, \$243.27. Increase and improvement of Church property. St. Paul's Chapel, \$970. Repair account, \$652.08. New piano for Sunday school, \$225. Ladies' Missionary Society, Industrial Society, and Sewing Society, \$408.27. St. Paul's Guild, \$53.79. St. Phebe Society, \$125. Miscellaneous, \$481.09. Total for objects within the parish, \$22,342.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$149.58. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$80.79. Christian or Theological Education, Increase of Ministry, \$200. Sunday-school offerings, \$206.29. Miscellaneous, \$86.27. Total for objects without the parish, \$722 93.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$21.31; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,091.60; total, \$1112.91. Domestic missions in general, \$722 73; Rev. Mr. Mackay, Leadville, Colorado, \$1,152; Right Rev. John A. Paddock, D. D., Washington Territory, \$1,000; total, \$2,874.73. Total for missionary contributions, \$3,987.64.

Total of contributions, \$27,053.33.

REMARKS.

The working societies of St. Paul's Church are as follows: —

First. THE LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY, whose work is to provide boxes of clothing for the families of missionaries, and enable the rector to send out help to needy clergymen in the way of donations

Second. THE ADVISORY BOARD OF LADIES, who dispense the communion alms and look after the parish poor and all cases of distress, by the help of a parish visitor.

Third. THE INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY, whose aim is to provide work for the poor and pay the needy for sewing done.

Fourth. ST. PAUL'S GUILD, a society of the young men of the parish, who meet monthly for purposes of social, intellectual, and spiritual improvement.

Fifth. THE ST. PHEBE SOCIETY, composed of the young ladies of the parish, who meet monthly for the same purpose as that of the Guild.

Sixth. PARISH CHOIR, whose work it is to take charge of all extra services, and supplement the service of the regular choir.

ST. STEPHEN'S CITY MISSION.

The Rev. F. S. HARRADEN, *Missionary.*

The work of the City Mission has during the last year been prosecuted in conjunction with the Free Church of St. Mary for Sailors, and the report is given under that head.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., *Rector.*

The Revs. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN and BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY, *Assistants.*

CHARLES HENRY PARKER and CHARLES RUSSELL CODMAN, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 46; adults, 14; total, 60. Confirmed, 48. Communicants: Present number, about 1,000. Marriages, 32. Funerals, 26. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 52; scholars, 510. Sewing school: Teachers, 30; scholars, 225.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$4,030.95. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$25.090; investments, \$4942.49; total, \$30,032.49. Sunday school, \$923. Parish library, \$200. Parochial missions, \$1,222.57. Increase and improvement of church property, \$14,000. Parish Charitable Societies, \$3,341. Educational laundry, \$960. Total for objects within the parish, \$54,710.01.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$2,828.50; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$2,122.28; Massachusetts Bible Society, \$948; Young Men's Christian Association, \$26,000; sufferers by earthquake at Chios, \$1,000; miscellaneous, \$4,000. Total for objects without the parish, \$36,898.78.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$430.71. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,405.05. Domestic missions in general, \$1,258.30. For Washington Territory, \$1,960. Indian missions, \$1,100. For Bishop Whipple, \$1,500. Women's Auxiliary, \$230. Foreign missions in general, \$4,634. Zenana mission, \$600. Protestant missions in France, \$100. Missionary contributions of Sunday school, \$734 89. Total for missionary contributions, \$13,952.95.

Total of contributions, \$105,561.74.

REMARKS.

The work and contributions of the Free Chapel of the Evangelists will be reported by the Rev. B. B. Killikelly, our assistant minister-in-charge of that part of our parish.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.**The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, *Rector*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 22; total added, 24; present number, 63. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 65. Church: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 400. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$34.27.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.80.

Total of contributions, \$60 07.

REMARKS.

No treasurer's report has been received. In absence of any canonical regulations, those confirmed and residing within the limits of the parish are recorded as communicants if not known to belong to any other parish. The church is still kept open as a free church.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROCKTON.

[No report.]

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLINE.**The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, *Rector*.****HENRY S. CHASE and THOS. PARSONS, *Church - Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 3; total, 14. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 25; total added, 33; died, 2; removed, 10; total lost, 12; present number, 263. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 130.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$706.57. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$5,833.32; Sunday school and Parochial Missions, *i. e.*, Cottage Lecture Room, \$169.27; increase and improvement of church property, *viz.*, the chapel enlargement, \$2,554.95; Thanksgiving collection for poor, \$83.50; Christmas tree, \$98.43; poor fund, \$50; Easter festival of Sunday school, \$35. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,531.04.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$110.30; Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$21.78; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, from Sunday school, \$100; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, Whitsunday collection, \$163.59; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$50; Christian or Theological Education, \$39.95. Total for objects without the parish, \$485.62.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$305.38; domestic missions in general, \$659.62; Indian missions, \$135.30; Bishop Paddock's work in Washington Territory, \$505.50; Bishop Galleher's work in Louisiana, \$50. Foreign missions in general, \$517.65; Rev. Mr. Love's work in Hayti, \$50; for work in African hospital, \$78; Sunday-school scholarship, Bridgman Memorial School, \$50. Total for missionary contributions, \$2,351.45.

Total of contributions, \$12,368.11.

MISSION CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, EAST CAMBRIDGE

The Rev. CHARLES W. DUFFIELD, *Deacon, Missionary.*

JAMES WILLARD PRESTON, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 1; total, 8. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 13; died 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 91. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 145. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, including fund, \$2,139.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory, \$93.14; collections in church, \$263.95; donations, \$21.25; other sources, \$240.27; total, \$618.61. Church building fund, \$634.20. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,252.81.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Domestic: Onondaga Indian mission, \$10.58. Total, \$30.58.

Total of contributions, \$1,283.39.

REMARKS.

The valuation of property belonging to the mission is, for furniture, about \$500, and for building fund, \$1,634.20.

The thanks of the mission are due to Mr. and Mrs. T. P. James, of Cambridge, for contributions amounting to \$600 towards the building fund. During the year a rich and costly Bible and service books, for use in the chancel, have been presented by members of the mission.

Those interested in this work will always remember with gratitude the faithful services of their recent minister, the Rev. Dr. A. V. G. Allen; and to the Rev. Charles P. Parker their thanks are due for his kindly help, since the resignation of Dr. Allen, on several occasions, and in the preparation of the class for confirmation. They are now looking forward hopefully to the ministry of the Rev. C. W. Duffield, recently of the diocese of Central New York, who has just been appointed to this mission.

J. W. PRESTON,
Warden.

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. JAMES FIELD SPALDING, *Rector.*

SAMUEL BATCHELDER and LUCIUS LEE HUBBARD, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 1; total, 22. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 22; total added, 31; died, 1; removed, 18; lapsed, 1; total lost, 20; present number, 175. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 146. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 450; Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Ministerial Fund, \$14,386.69.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$224.74. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory (pledged), \$1,475.50; offerings at the offertory (unpledged), \$538.53; subscriptions, \$1,210.57; investments, \$676.28; other sources, \$264.10; Sun-

day school offerings for current expenses, \$37.88; Sunday-school library, \$105; increase and improvement of church property, \$254.60. Special offerings for the poor of the parish, \$54.19; Children's Christmas festival, \$61.39; Christmas and Easter decorations, \$47.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,950.28.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$60; Convention Fund, \$25.50; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$8.71; Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$14.14; towards the Bishop Bass Memorial (Newouryport), \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$113.35.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100; domestic missions in general, \$53.58; Indian missions, \$37.33; Freedmen, \$8; Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$16.25; Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$8.11; scholarship at St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, \$100.25; to Bishop Garrett, \$5; to Bishop Whipple, \$5; Bishop Spalding, \$5; missionary work in Maine, \$20; St. John's School Dakota (by the Sunday school), \$15; two boxes sent by parish missionary society, to hospital at Salt Lake City, and to St. Paul's School, Dakota, valued at \$189.94. Foreign missions in general, \$42.17; toward the Rev. Mr. Tyng's life insurance, \$12.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$618.13.

Total of contributions, \$5,681.76.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, NORTH CAMBRIDGE (WITH ST. JAMES'S CHAPEL, SOMERVILLE).

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, *Rector*.

C. M. ADDISON, C. L. WELLS, and H. E. SCUDDER, *Lay Readers*.

JAMES M. BARKER and CHARLES R. WOODS, *Church-Wardens*.

ALBERT S. PILLSBURY, *Chapel-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 5; total, 22. **Confirmed,** 13. **Communicants:** Admitted, 13; received, 8; total added, 21; died, 1; removed, 17; total lost, 18; present number, 115. **Marriages,** 5. **Funerals,** 6. **Sunday schools:** Church: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 120. Chapel: Teachers, 10; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 275. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$69.21. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory (church), \$1,651.81; chapel, \$203.09; total, \$1,854.90. Sunday schools: Church, \$91.66; chapel, \$30.17; total, \$121.83. Increase and improvement of church property, of which \$265 was proceeds (incomplete returns) of a sale held by girls' guild, \$337.72; other parochial objects, viz.: Christmas festivals, church, \$95.59; chapel, \$24.35; Easter festival, church, \$13.50; parish relief, \$17.81; parish music, \$36.08; parish year-books, \$11; sundries, \$15.25. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,597.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, interest on note, \$14, included in current expenses above. Convention Fund, \$15, included in current expenses above. Episcopal Fund, \$7; Church Home for Orphan

and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5; Christian or theological education, \$2.05; Avon Place Home, Cambridge, \$13.11. Total for objects without the parish, \$27.16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.54; domestic missions in general, \$113.60; missionary box for Colorado (moderate estimate), \$189.05; missionary box for Dakota, \$21; Indian, \$5; Mexico, \$5; Jews, \$1.55; Bishop J. A. Paddock, for a chapel's outfit, \$6 30; sister Eliza, \$6; Mrs. Klugerie, \$2; total, \$349 50. Foreign missions in general, \$116.76; Rev. T. S. Tyng's work in Japan, of which \$28.23 was Lenten offerings of parish Sunday school, \$228.83; towards insurance dues of Rev. T. S. Tyng (three years), \$29; towards Chinese scholarship, \$0.92; total, \$375.51. Total for missionary contributions, \$744.55.

Total of contributions, \$3,368.95.

REMARKS.

Two new and beautiful pieces of chancel furniture, a pulpit and a lecturn, both the gifts of members of the parish, have been placed in the church during the year, but their value, which is considerable, is not included above. 'The girls' guild now has above \$400 in hand for the renovation of the interior of the church, and that work will probably be done the coming summer. The two choirs of the parish church and chapel, being debarred, by circumstances, from taking part in the general festivals of parish choirs at Trinity Church, Boston, convention week, and making, by themselves, a chorus of about forty voices, held a festival service of their own at the parish church on the evening of St. Mark's day, which was largely attended and a fine success. — a pleasant sign of the growing interest in church music. The rector is under obligations to the Rev. F. A. Foxcroft, a member of the parish, and to Mr. H. H. Smyth, a member of the senior class of the Cambridge Theological School, as well as to Mr. H. E. Scudder, for constant and valuable aid in the various services at the church.

The work at St. James's Chapel (whose statistics are included above) has gone prosperously forward during the year that has elapsed since the chapel was dedicated. So far, it has been self-supporting, but the chapel nevertheless remains a strictly parochial mission; its administration has been placed by the parish in the hands of a "mission board," composed of a warden, a vestryman, a secretary, and a treasurer, in connection with the rector. Mr. C. M. Addison, of the middle class of the Cambridge Theological School, has been the rector's immediate assistant in the work at the chapel jointly with Mr. C. L. Wells of the same class, and with the continued co-operation of Mr. A. S. Pillsbury, for some time the superintendent of the Sunday school, and occasionally acting as lay-reader. To these three helpers is chiefly due the good progress of the work here during the year.

The parish has met all its financial obligations, and begins a new year without debt.

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE.

[Not connected with the Convention.]

The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D. D., *Dean*.

Baptisms: Adult, 1; infants, 10; total, 11. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2. Families and parts of families, 100; persons, 350. Communicants, 140. Sunday school: Teachers and officers, 13; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For expenses of the services, raised by offerings and subscriptions (no salary paid by the congregation). \$2,496.48; Episcopal Fund, \$28.75; Theological education (directly and through societies), \$516.

MISSIONS. — Diocesan, \$68; domestic, \$342; Indians, \$149.60; freedmen, \$147; foreign, \$386.10. Total for missions, \$1,092.70. Miscellaneous, the poor, etc., \$126.03.

Total contributions, \$4,259.96.

(Of the offerings for missions, the Ladies' Missionary Society raised \$598.75.)

These statistics are furnished as part of the Church's work in the diocese, although the chapel congregation is not organized, and has no relations with the Convention. Besides the number of persons mentioned, there are others who worship in the chapel, with varying regularity, who have no settled ecclesiastical home. There are also about eighty Harvard students who make it their place of worship, of whom about thirty are communicants.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE, *Rector*.

HENRY W. WINKLEY, *Lay Reader*.

EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M. D., and WILLIAM W. DALLINGER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 40; adults, 6; total, 46. Confirmed, 22. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 23; total added, 35; died, 4; removed, 3; total lost, 7; present number, 301. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 179.

CONTRIBUTIONS

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, \$63 59. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$3,335 43; Sunday school, \$49.97; parochial missions, \$15; increase and improvement of church property, \$23.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,487.49.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30; Christian or theological education, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$55.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25; domestic missions in general, \$35.50. Foreign missions in general, \$23.50; Rev. Dr. Love, Hayti, \$20; scholarship, China, \$40; total, \$83.50. Total of missionary contributions, \$144.00.

Total of contributions, \$3,686.49.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, CHELMSFORD.

The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, *Minister in charge*.

CHARLES D. CLARK and ALLEN T. HODGE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 3; total, 5. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; removed, 6; present number, 40. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,000. Chapel: Sitings, 60. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$333.15. Increase and improvement of church property, \$811 61. Total for objects within the parish \$1,144.76.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$8.

Total of contributions, \$1,152.76.

REMARKS.

I have had charge of this parish since October, or, rather, I began to continue the services from that time. The parish was given into my charge later. The work is one which is worthy of attention. I hope the church may soon be finished.

J. J. CRESSEY.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHELSEA.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *Rector*.

G. M. GOLDING and EDWARD P. CONNOR, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 39; adults, 6; total, 45. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 54; received, 7; total added, 61; died, 1; present number, 144. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 29; scholars, 192. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 350.

Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$160.38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$385.55; pew rents, \$1,065.34; donations, \$27.91; investments, \$125; other sources, \$238.80; total, \$1,842.60. Increase and improvement of church property, \$116.95. Total, \$2,119 93.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$15; Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.08. Domestic missions: For Bishop Whipple, \$5.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$20.33.

Total of contributions, \$2,170 26.

REMARKS.

During the year many much-needed improvements have been effected, through the commendable and united efforts of the parishioners, which add dignity and value to the church. A portion of the roof has been renewed, and the remainder of it thoroughly repaired. — the stone wall at the entrance to the Sunday-school room has been rebuilt, the inside of the edifice has been rendered more than ever attractive by a new lecturn, prayer desk, and choir seats, all of neat ecclesiastical design. A contract has been given for the painting of the exterior of the church, and *one* coat of paint has, at this writing, been put on, another is to be put on in a few days. Several other improvements are in contemplation. The congregations are very good, the services spirited and hearty, and the outlook hopeful.

GRACE CHURCH, CHICOPEE.

[No report.]

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CLINTON.

The Rev. HENRY LEWIS FOOTE, *Rector*.CHARLES G. STEVENS and JOHN JOHNSTON, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 20; total added, 27; died, 3; removed, 7; total lost, 10; present number, 97. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 196. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$28.91. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$997.20; Sunday school, \$66.26. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,092.37.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12; erection of churches and chapels, \$11. Total for objects without the parish, \$23.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$43. Domestic missions in general, \$8.57. Schools in Utah, from Sunday school, \$45.18. Foreign missions in general, \$16 65. Total for missionary contributions, \$113.40

Total of contributions, \$1,228.77.

CALVARY CHURCH, DANVERS.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 4; total added, 6; died, 1; present number, 88. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage lot, \$600. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$5,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$421.98; collections in church, \$9.37; donations, \$200; interest on investments, \$112.80; other sources, \$28.66; total, \$772.81. Increase and improvement of church property (repairs), \$136.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$909.31.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$6.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions in general: Sunday school, Easter offering, \$7.75; box for Indians, value \$40; total, \$47.75. Total for missionary contributions, \$57.75.

Total of contributions, \$973.06.

REMARKS.

Since last report the church building has been painted both inside and outside, a new chancel carpet procured, and other needed improvements made.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, DEDHAM.

The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, *Rector*.

WILLIAM B. WELCH and E. L. FROTHINGHAM, Jr., *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 21. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 5; total added, 6; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 70. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 111. Church: Value, \$8,000, sittings, 280.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH — Alms at Holy Communion, \$59.30. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$220.08; pew rents, \$339.67; subscriptions, \$762.95; total, \$1,322.70. Sunday school, \$65.74; parish library, \$31.60; increase and improvement of church property, \$76.50; other parochial objects, \$73.49. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,629.83.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$8. Total for objects without the parish, \$8.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.70. Domestic missions in general, \$21.41. Foreign missions in general, \$49.50. Total for missionary contribution, \$87.61.

Total of contributions, \$1,724.94.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DEDHAM.

The Rev. ARTHUR MANN BACKUS, *Rector*.

IRA CLEVELAND and THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 2; total, 23. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 12; total added, 21; died, 3; removed, 12; total lost, 15; present number, 206. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 114. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 160. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$36,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$142.37. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$627.78; collections in church, \$72.91; pew rents, \$1,453.70; subscriptions, \$378; investments, \$825.23; total, \$3,357.22. Increase and improvement of church property: Chime, \$3,500; chapel decoration and repairs, \$355. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,354.59.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30. Total for objects without the parish, \$30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$107.39. Domestic: Special, \$160.50; scholarship, \$40; Jews, \$6; box through Dacotah League, \$80; box to Mrs. Buford, \$80; total, \$366.50. Foreign missions in general: Through Women's Auxiliary, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$483.89.

Total of contributions, \$7,868.48.

ST. PHILIP'S, EASTHAMPTON.

[No report.]

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, *Rector*.The Rev. ARTHUR H. BARRINGTON (up to Easter day), *Assistant*.BORDEN CHACE and CHARLES PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 39. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Removed to St. John's, 40; died, 12; removed, 25; total lost, 77; present number, 180. Marriages, 46. Funerals, 44. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 135; total 150. St. Mark's Chapel: Teachers, 10; scholars, 100; total, 110.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$46; extra for Christmas and Easter, \$12. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$577.67; pew rents, \$1,527.25; subscriptions, \$351; other sources, \$650. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,163.92.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, annuity, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, two collections, \$29.64. Domestic missions: For Mrs. Payne, on salary, \$10, medicines, \$5 (Sunday school), \$15; Mass. Women's Auxillary Board, \$10; St. Mark's Flint Village Sunday school, \$8. Foreign missions: Rev. Mr. Fair, of Africa, \$20.81. Total for missionary contributions, \$83.45.

Total of contributions, \$3,307.37.

REMARKS.

The report of the mission of St. John's has been given separate from the parish church, this year, except as to marriages and burials, which, for some reason, were overlooked in the last annual report. The totals for two years are therefore given in report of this year.

As to baptisms, the whole number is likewise given. The mission of St. John's became an independent parish at Easter. The mission of St. Mark's has been under the entire charge of the rector of the mother church for eight months; the chapel is paid for, there is a good Sunday school, and when church service is held at night the attendance is from fifty to seventy-five. This mission needs to be cared for by the parish congregation, as it will be many years before they can do much to help in the support of a clergyman. All who were confirmed last year at the church and chapel were reported as communicants, whereas some fifteen or eighteen have never been to communion, and are therefore dropped this year, — during the past year none; and the total loss to the parish has also been great by death and removal from the city; add to this, those who have never communed, and those who have gone to St. John's, and the loss to the parish is over ninety. St. John's has from one hundred to one hundred and fifteen communicants.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION CHURCH, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. ARTHUR HENRY BARRINGTON, *Missionary.*

Baptisms: Infants, 23; adults, 1; total, 24. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: Admitted, 18; received, 10; total added, 28; died, 8; removed, 2; total lost, 5; present number, 97. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 28; scholars, 214. Church building: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$25.79. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$302.60; pledges, \$543. Other sources, entertainments, \$233.14. Total, \$1,078.74. Sunday school, \$151.09. Church debt: Subscriptions, \$284.50; entertainments, \$229.05; donations, \$399; Land Fund (Easter offering, subscriptions, \$405.07; donations, \$27.50; total, \$1,496.21. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,600.74.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Children's Home, Fall River, \$4.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.50. Foreign missions in general: Sundayschool, \$8.30. Total for missionary contributions, \$38.80.

Total of contributions, \$2,644.04.

REMARKS.

The St. John's Mission held its first service on the fourth Sunday in September, 1878. It was a success from its inception, and from 34 families, representing about 36 communicants, which it drew from the Church of the Ascension, it now numbers about 120 families, 97 communicants, and a Sunday school numbering 244. Services were first held in a hall. To accommodate the rapidly increasing congregation and school, a wooden chapel was erected on leased land. It was occupied for the first time on Sunday, Aug. 15, 1880, by a large and grateful congregation. The cost of the building (about \$2,000) has been met through the help extended by the friends of the church in Boston. A small debt has since been incurred for improvements.

In January last the society received an offer of \$1,000 towards the purchase of the land upon which the church is built, provided they could raise the balance. It was immediately determined to create a land fund, and to devote the Easter offering to that purpose. This, together with the balance in the treasury, which is also devoted to the same object, make a fund of \$597.07. It is hoped the friends of the church will help us to increase this sum to the required amount \$2,200.

On Easter Sunday, permission having been obtained, the mission was duly incorporated as a parish, Nathaniel Lewis and George Watters being chosen wardens.

A. H. BARRINGTON.
Missionary.

GRACE CHURCH, FISKDALE.

The Rev. D'ESTAING JENNINGS, *Rector.*

GEORGE H. SPARHAWK and JOHN H. HARRISON, *Church - Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8. Confirmed 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; withdrawn, 1; present number, 28. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 55.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$18. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Subscriptions, \$884.60; by Sunday school, \$20; parish library, \$19; for Christmas tree, \$10. Total for objects within the parish, \$951.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic: Colored people, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$20.

Total of contributions, \$987.60.

CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG.

The Rev. E. W. SMITH, *Rector.*

DENNIS FAY and GEORGE D. COLONY, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 4; total, 18. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Present number, 202. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 135. Church: Value, \$6,100; sittings, 500. Chapel: sittings, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$180.38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,804.90; Sunday school, \$282.30; parish library, \$40; other parochial objects, \$30.57. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,338.15.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$56; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$20; Christian or theological education, \$153. Total for objects without the parish, \$229.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$63. Domestic missions in general, \$36; box (1), \$89.28; box (2), \$55.60; total, \$180.78. Foreign missions in general, \$54. Total for missionary contributions, \$277.78.

Total of contributions, \$3,844.93.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FRAMINGHAM.

JAMES W. BUNN and ALEX. R. ESTY, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; removed, 9; present number, 60. Church: Value, \$18,000. The town assessors' valuation of church property, May 1, 1880, is \$5,300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, \$497.07.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.

Total of contributions, \$527.07.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HOOPER, *Rector*.J. H. STACY and WILLIAM BABSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 2; total 14. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 2; total added, 10; died, 3; removed, 7; total lost, 10; present number, 59. Marriages 6. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 62.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$590; Sunday school, \$18.28; increase and improvement of church property, \$92 75; library for the Sunday school, \$56.71. Total for objects within the parish, \$757.74.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$4.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14. Domestic missions in general, \$10.71. Foreign missions in general, \$6.45. Total for missionary contributions, \$31.16.

Total of contributions, \$793.40.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREAT BARRINGTON.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, *Rector*.M. L. WHITLOCK and WILLIAM H. PARKS, M. D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 2; total, 14. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 6; total added, 20; died, 6; removed, 1; total lost, 7; present number, 163. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 95. Church: Value, \$25,000. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$29,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$93.14. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$242.09; pew rents, \$1,666 97; subscriptions, \$110.77; donations, \$20; other sources, \$371.85; total, \$2,504.82. Sunday school Christmas celebration, \$53. Payment of mortgage on rectory, \$1,800. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,357.82.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH — Episcopal Fund, \$13.85; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$13 34; Christian or theological education, \$30.20. Total for objects without the parish, \$57.39.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$26.02; St. Philip's Church, Easthampton, \$17.80. Domestic missions in general, \$13.84. Total for missionary contributions, \$57.66.

Total of contributions, \$4,472.87.

REMARKS.

During the past year the debt upon the rectory has been paid, and the parish is now in a position to do more in sustaining the general work of the church than at any previous period in its history.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH, *Rector*.SIMRON PHILLIPS and CHARLES R. LOWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 2; total, 16. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 1; total added, 5; died, 4; removed, 3; total lost, 7; present number, 149. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 13. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$28,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$106.89. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$290.68; pew rents, \$1,307.82; subscriptions, \$60; investments, \$18.60; other sources, \$31.67; total, \$1,708.77. Sunday school, \$82.81. Church debt, principal, \$275; church debt, interest, \$358.88. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,531.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35; Convention Fund, \$12; Wendell charity, \$2. Total for objects without the parish, \$49.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25; general missions of the church, \$39. Total for missionary contributions, \$64.

Total of contributions, \$2,644.85.

REMARKS.

The Rev. N. W. Munroe, at present residing in the parish, has very kindly assisted at services in which the Holy Communion has been celebrated.

Since October, evening prayer has been said, and a sermon preached every Sunday, at Turner's Falls, three miles distant. This village has a population of 4,000, and is growing rapidly. Mr. John Pierce has rendered most efficient aid to this missionary enterprise, and his generous services are hereby acknowledged. The mission is also indebted to the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society for a donation of prayer-books and hymnals.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HANGOVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D. D., *Officiating Minister*.LEMUEL CUSHING WATERMAN and WARREN WRIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Died, 3; present number, 73. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars 47. Church: Value, \$10,850; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$4,600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,450.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$263.32. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Sunday school (\$22.96 contributed by the Sunday school), \$89.77; parish library, \$15.22; increase and improvement of church property, \$2,241. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,998.31.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28; Convention Fund, \$15; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$10.93; relief of poor, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$95.93.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$27.49. Missions in general, \$26.65; Dakota League, Massachusetts Branch (in articles), \$20; Massachusetts Branch, Woman's Auxillary, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$79.14.

Total of contributions, \$4,176.38.

REMARKS.

Of the foregoing contributions, \$243.93 came from the parish sewing-circle. The interior of the church (consecrated June 11, A. D. 1811, by Bishop Griswold) having been reconstructed, and a chancel having been added to the edifice, the service of dedication was to have taken place on the 10th of last June, but on the 1st of that month the church was struck by lightning, burning the spire and the tower to the bell-deck, rendering the bell unfit for further use, and extensively shattering the front of the building.

The reconstructed interior and the new chancel were but slightly damaged. The needed repairs were made after plans by Sturgis and Brigham, who also were the architects who furnished the plans for the very beautiful chancel.

The bell-tower and spire are very pleasing, and are in the colonial style, to correspond with the architecture of the exterior of the building. The new bell, very clear and musical in its tone, was the gift of the parish sewing-circle.

On the 30th of the following September, the bishop of the diocese impressively performed the deferred service of dedication, using a form for dedicating a renewed and enlarged church edifice, set forth by the late Bishop Whittingham, of Maryland, and also preached the sermon, touching the hearts of his hearers by his feeling and stirring reference to the various venerable articles used in the services of the parish, some of which connect it with a period as remote as almost a century and a half ago.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, *Minister.*

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 4; total, 25. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 3; total added, 10; died, 1; removed, 8; total lost, 9; present number, 68. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 73. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory, \$381.03; Sunday school, \$26.25; increase and improvement of church property, \$537.56; Christmas tree and decoration, \$46.80; Easter Sunday-school festival, \$7.85; for the poor through the "Rector's Aid Association," \$40.93. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,040.42.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$2. Domestic missions in general, \$2. Foreign missions in general, \$4.25. Sunday-school Lenten offering for Joppa, \$5.65. Total for missionary contributions, \$13.80.

Total of contributions, \$1,054.22.

TRINITY CHURCH, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, *Rector*.

EDWARD F. ADAMS and CHARLES T. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 3; total, 21. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 10; total added, 21; died, 5; removed, 14; total lost, 19; present number, 211. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 103.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, and other offerings for the poor, \$36.16. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,139.98; total, \$2,139.98. Sunday school, \$68.89; choir, \$433.69. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,678.72.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21; Convention Fund, \$22.50; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$5; St. Luke's House, Haverhill, \$43.83; Trinity Church, Lewiston, Me., \$5. St. Columba's Church, \$10; Western Church Building Fund, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$117.83.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30. Domestic missions in general, \$17.07; Bishop Tuttle, \$15; Mrs. Payne's salary, \$5; Sister Eliza's salary, \$7; total, \$44.07. Foreign missions in general, \$16; Rev. Mr. Quimby, \$5; Miss Pitman, \$5; Rev. Dr. Love, \$3; total, \$29. Total for missionary contributions, \$103.07.

Total of contributions, \$2,899.12.

REMARKS.

In addition to the figures given above, it is the rector's pleasant duty to report the beginning of an organ fund, amounting now to \$115 in bank, and the gift to the church of a "fair linen cloth," for the altar, and a brass altar cross; the one, the offering of an always generous parishioner, the other procured by one of the Sunday-school classes, and presented last Sunday, on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the laying of the church corner-stone. To mark the same interesting occasion, some improvements have been made in the church building, which add much to its use and beauty. The erection of a glass screen between the transept and south aisle has given a commodious chapel, which yet can be used as a part of the church when occasion requires; new glass has also been put in the windows, and the floor has been carpeted. The cost of the work will be somewhere in the neighborhood of a thousand dollars. Exact figures will be given in next year's report.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOLYOKE.

GEORGE H. LE DOYT and ELIAS P. FORD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; removed, 10; present number, about 230. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 140. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$64.70. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$95.16; pew rents, \$1,507.68; subscriptions, \$663.50; other sources. Ladies' Guild, \$412.75; total, \$2,679.09. Sunday school, \$71.07. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,814.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$21. Total for objects without the parish, \$73.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30. Domestic missions in general, \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$50.00.

Total of contributions, \$2,938.86.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOPKINTON.

DANIEL WATSON MCLEOD and WILLIAM KENNEDY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Communicants: Present number, 13. Funerals, 1. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$3,400.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.

CHRIST CHURCH, HYDE PARK.

The Rev. EDWARD A. RAND, *Minister in charge*.

HENRY HYDE SMITH and JOSIAH MONROE, Jr., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; died, 1; present number, 107. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$17,000; sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$51.65. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$496.12; pew rents, \$1,166.52; subscriptions, \$59; other sources, \$7.02; total, \$1,728.66. Sunday school, \$55. Parish guild, \$40. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,875.31.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$57.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14. Domestic missions: For Indians, one box, \$45; membership, \$6; mite-chests, \$4; for hospital, Salt Lake City, one box, \$32.50. Foreign missions: Half scholarship in Duane Hall, China, \$25. Total for missionary contributions, \$126.50.

Total of contributions, \$2,058.81.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, IPSWICH.

The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, *Rector*.

EVERARD H. MARTIN and JOHN BIRCH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 3; total, 11. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 16; received, 3; total added, 9; present number, 63. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 85.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$55.93. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$325.99; subscriptions, \$440.25; other sources, \$373.37. Sunday school, \$75. Increase and improvements of church property, \$300. Removal of the debt, \$5,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,570.54.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions, \$12.

Total of contributions, \$6,597.54.

REMARKS.

The last instalment due on the mortgage of \$5,000, which encumbered the church property, was paid April 4, 1881. The parish is under great obligations to friends in Boston and New York, whose generous contributions have freed it from debt.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBOROUGH.

The Rev. CHARLES JAMES PALMER, *Officiating Clergyman.*

GEO. B. SHERMAN and FRANK NOURSE, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Communicants: Received, 1; died, 2; present number, 57. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 400. Parsonage: Value, \$1,500; land, \$1,000; fund, \$9,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$56.50; subscriptions, \$120; investments, \$679.28; total, \$855.78. Sunday school, \$22.25. Total for objects within the parish, \$878.03.

REMARKS.

The foregoing statistics cover a period of only about eight months, the parish being not supplied from Easter till about the first of September, and only very occasional services being held during the interim.

GRACE CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, *Rector.*

The Rev. AUGUSTINE H. AMORY, *Assistant.*

JAMES PAYNE and JAMES H. KIDDER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 56; adults, 6; total, 62. Confirmed, 24. Communicants: Admitted, 24; received, 8; total added, 32; died, 7; removed, 15; total lost, 22; present number, 350. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 34. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 37; scholars, 350. Sewing school: Teachers, 6; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$344.46. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$3,383.87; subscriptions, \$452.50; total, \$3,836.37. Sunday school, \$87.56; parish

library, \$84; increase and improvement of church property, \$519.43; Easter expenses, \$32; choir festival, \$15.17. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,918.99.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$150.07; Convention Fund, \$36; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$48.62; Christian or theological education, \$38.40; American Bible Society, \$16.25; Lawrence City Mission, \$163.80; deaf-mutes, \$34.30. Total for objects without the parish, \$487.44.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$73.18. Domestic missions in general, \$90.27; domestic missions, special, \$268.87. Foreign missions in general, \$136.76; foreign missions, special, \$49. Total for missionary contributions, \$617.58.

Total of contributions, \$6,024.01.

REMARKS.

Since Sept. 1, 1880, Rev. A. H. Amory has been my assistant, working faithfully and acceptably both in Lawrence and North Andover. He has reported for St. Paul's Mission, North Andover.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, *Rector*.

N. P. H. MELVIN and JAMES WALTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 44; adults, 3; total, 47. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 23; total added, 38; died, 5; removed, 15; total lost, 20; present number, 220. Marriages, 14. Funerals, 32. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 225. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$113.37. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$782.41; pew rents, \$1,451; subscriptions, \$1,000; other sources, \$151.70; Sunday school, \$125. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,623.48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Missionary work in city of Lawrence, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$89.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions in general, \$8. Foreign missions in general, \$8. Total of missionary contributions, \$66.

Total of contributions, \$3,778.98.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEE.

[No report.]

TRINITY CHURCH, LENOX.

The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, *Rector*.

CHARLES KNEELAND and EDMUND SPENCER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 4; present number, 48. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Church: Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (not specially appropriated), \$90.89. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$349; pew rents, \$1,800; subscriptions, \$260; investments, \$12.12; total, \$1,921.12. Sunday school, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,061.01.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.80. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$77.30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$62. Domestic missions in general, \$25. Foreign missions in general, \$65. Total for missionary contributions, \$152.

Total of contributions, \$2,290.31.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LONGWOOD.

The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, *Rector*.

S. L. BUSH and S. H. GREGORY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 9; total added, 12; died, 3; removed, 9; total lost, 12; present number, 140. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$50,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$54,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$526; pew rents, \$2,488.60; subscriptions, \$1,446; investments, \$121; total, \$4,581.60. Increase and improvement of church property, \$338.72; Christmas expenses, \$87.78; charities through Aid Society, \$90. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,098.10.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$95.30; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$51.11; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$85.97; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$113.09; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$15; Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$34.83; Bishop Hare School, \$62; Bishop Hare (special), \$500. Total for objects without the parish, \$957.30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$108.80. Domestic missions in general, \$143.40; mite-chests, \$39.70. Foreign missions in general, \$226.40; Lydia M. Fay scholarship, \$67.65; Orphanage, Mexico, scholarship, \$60. Total for missionary contributions, \$646.95.

Total of contributions, \$6,702.35.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D., *Rector*.

The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON, S. T. B., *Assistant*.

JOHN ORNE GREEN, M. D., and JOHN M. PEVEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 61; adults, 11; total, 72. Confirmed, 32. Communicants: Admitted, 27; received, 5; total added, 32; died, 13; removed, 3;

total lost, 16; present number, 467. Marriages, 47. Funerals, 56. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 28; scholars, 221. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 616. Chapel: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 200. School building: Value, \$8,000. Parsonage: Value, \$13,300; bells, organ, library, etc., \$11,700. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, real and personal, \$83,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$209.07. All current expenses, including Rector's and assistant's salary: Pew rents, \$3,768.75; subscriptions, \$810; Sunday school, \$209.72; rector's library, \$39.22; home work in St. Anne's, \$57.96; towards singing lessons, \$18.48; Bibles, prayer-books, and hymnals for distribution, \$11.20; Girls' Friendly Society, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,174.40.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$39.18; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$12.69; Christian or theological education, \$231.77; erection of churches and chapels, \$154.87; hospital Sunday, \$71.64; French missions in Canada, \$16; clergyman's league, \$15.36; church mission to deaf-mutes, \$13.88; St. Mary's Orphanage, Lowell, \$89.24. Total for objects without the parish, \$644.63.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board, \$128.96. Domestic missions in general, \$62.80; Colorado, \$50.82; mite-chests, \$57.12; Indian department, \$17.06; freedmen, \$18.28; communion set for missions in Oregon, \$30. Foreign missions in general, \$80.87; Japan, \$23.30; outfit of Rev. Robert Love, missionary to Hayti, \$20.44. Total for missionary contributions, \$489.65.

Total of contributions, \$6,308.68.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, *Rector*.

HENRY P. WEBBER and SAMUEL J. GIBBY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 25; adults, 3; total, 28. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 19; total added, 28; died, 2; removed, 23; total lost, 25; present number, 287. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 160. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms not otherwise reported, \$36.12. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$479.87; pew rents, \$1,464; donations from St. John's Improvement Society, \$50; total, \$1,993.87. Sunday school, \$85.20; increase and improvement of church property and other objects, from Sunday school, \$156.30; for the choir, \$29.42; church decoration, Christmas and Easter (Improvement Society), \$24; special charity, \$30; other parochial objects (Improvement Society), \$66.35. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,421.26.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35; Convention Fund, \$21; Hospital Sunday, collection, \$53.89. Total for objects without the parish, \$109.89.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$31. Domestic missions in general, \$14. Total for missionary contributions, \$45.

Total of contributions, \$2,576.15.

REMARKS.

An association of ladies, organized as the "Parish Aid Society," have contributed a box of clothing for the school at Salt Lake City, and besides, have entered upon other "good works."

HOUSE OF PRAYER, LOWELL.

The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, *Rector*.

WALTER B. COBURN and JAMES DRIVER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 4; total, 5. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 4; total added, 6; died, 1; removed, 5; total lost, 6; present number, 44. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 20. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$793.38; other sources, \$39.20; total, \$832.58. Total for objects within the parish, \$832.58.

REMARKS.

I regret very much to be obliged to report that we have done nothing to help others. The true way to receive is to give. We hope to act more on this plan another year.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, LYNN.

The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, *Rector*.

WM. F. JOHNSON and THOS. B. KNIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 29; adults, 18; total, 47. Communicants: Admitted, 18; received, 14; total added, 32; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, about 375. Marriages, 14. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 35; scholars, 238. Girls' Industrial School: Teachers, 13; scholars, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$3,397.09.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$22.50; a city charity, \$66. Total for objects without the parish, \$141.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$101.35. Domestic missions: For sister Eliza's support, \$25; Mrs. Payne (freedmen), \$10; box (West), \$39; package for Mrs. Fair, \$12.08. Foreign missions in general, \$22.54. Total for missionary contributions, \$209.97.

Total of contributions, \$3,748.06.

REMARKS.

The Parish Church (St. Stephen's "Memorial"), now in course of construction, is fulfilling its rich promise under the assiduous care of its warm-hearted and generous originator, Hon. E. R. Mudge, and when its

formative days are concluded, will stand forth a thing of rare beauty and worth, the joy and inspiration of many more than its immediate possessors.

Gloria tibi Domine.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MALDEN.

The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, *Rector.*

GEORGE CHARLES TATE, *Lay Reader.*

GEO. WILLIAM NEAL and GEO. CHARLES TATE, *Church - Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 25; adults, 2; total, 27. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 80; received, 1; total added, 81; died, 5; removed, 15; total lost, 20; present number, 213. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 27. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 112. Church: Value, \$13,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$13,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$56.99. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,227.39; Sunday school (by its own offerings), \$37.18; increase and improvement of church property, \$94.85; special repairs, \$169.56; Christmas and Easter festivals, \$78.46; Sunday school library, \$15. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,679.48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, interest on note, \$21; Convention Fund, \$11.55; sinking fund for Episcopal Fund, \$21. Total for objects without the parish, \$53.55.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50.00. General missions, \$35.37. Domestic: Dakota League, \$15; promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$8; special contributions, \$8 10. Total for missionary contributions, \$116.47.

Total of contributions, \$2,869.45.

REMARKS.

By the efforts of the Ladies' Parish Aid Society, the sum of \$225.24 has been added to a building fund. A parish guild has been organized. With the help of a special offering, the robing-room has been enlarged. The plan of systematic individual pledges for the general mission work of the church has been adopted.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, *Minister.*

EZEKIEL RUSSELL and WM. D. T. TREFRY, *Church - Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 3; total, 20. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Present number, 100. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$400; sittings, 50. Parsonage: Value, \$6,000. Total value of the property belonging to the the parish, \$11,400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$83.80. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,718.93; Sunday school, \$48.05; other parochial objects, \$374.49. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,225 27.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$8.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$34; for St. Paul's, Peabody, \$9.60. Domestic and foreign, \$177.22; box for Dakota League, value, \$23.73. Total of missionary contributions, \$244.55.

Total of contributions, \$2,479.82.

GRACE CHURCH, MEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, *Rector*.

JOHN B. FOLGER and FREDERICK C. WILLIAMS, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 2; total, 7. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 150. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$170 82. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$380.-67; subscriptions, \$1,595.25; investments, \$600; other sources, \$12; total, \$2,588.11. Sunday school (omitted in last year's report), \$100; increase and improvement of church property, \$318; removal of parish debt, \$152; children's festival, \$40. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,368.93.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Ladies' society for various objects of charity, \$50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50.54. Domestic missions: Mission in New Mexico, \$27.50. Foreign missions: Mission in Hayti, \$19.83. Total for missionary contributions, \$97.87.

Total of contributions, \$3,516.80.

REMARKS.

From the amount contributed for objects within the parish, \$53.59 have been sent in small sums, in response to appeals in behalf of missions, educational and charitable work.

TRINITY CHURCH, MELROSE.

The Rev. CHARLES LANCASTER SHORT, *Rector*.

WILLIAM L. WILLIAMS and ROYAL P. BARRY, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 1; total, 6. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 6; total added, 11; died, 1; present number, 106. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 48. Church: Value, \$4,500; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$984.40; Sunday school, \$13.70; Christmas festival, \$32.60. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,030.70.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions: Dakota League, \$20. Total of contributions, \$1,062.70.

REMARKS.

The present rector assumed charge of the parish St. Thomas's day, 1880, the preceding rector resigning at Easter. Between these two dates the parish was dependent mostly upon lay reading. The parish is now out of debt, and about to make necessary improvements to the church edifice, and the missionary contributions will not be forgotten during the year to come.

SAINT THOMAS'S CHURCH, METHUEN.

The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, B. D., *Rector*.

WILLIAM BERINGTON and THOMAS C. SMYTHE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 23; adults, 5; total, 28. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 1; total added, 16; died, 1; present number, 200. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,743.67; donations, \$125; other sources, \$94.02. For support of the Sisterhood: Money, exclusive of provisions, etc., \$642.52. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,605.21.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Offering for Nashotah, \$29.40. Erection of churches and chapels: For the church at Chelmsford, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$54.40.

Total of contributions, \$2,659.61.

REMARKS.

During the past year the walls of the church have been frescoed, and the woodwork varnished. A handsome and substantial fence has been built around the church, and the grounds about the building beautified by a large number of shade trees. The sittings in the church are wholly free, and the services supported entirely by the offertory. There is also connected with the parish a charitable institution, for the care of children, under the charge of the Sisters of the Holy Angels, called St. Ignatius' Cradle. It is free from debt, and in a prosperous condition.

TRINITY CHURCH, MILFORD.

The Rev. WILLIAM JAMES ALGER, *Minister in charge*.

CHARLES DOVE and GEO. G. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Communicants: Died, 3; present number, 100. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 74. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 252. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$52.43. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$92.20; pew rents, \$410; subscriptions, \$14; total, \$516.20. Sunday school, \$40.22; paid by Ladies' Society towards liquidating debt, \$375.21. Total for objects within the parish, \$984.06.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Milford Bible Society, \$3 75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.

Total of contributions, \$992.81.

REMARKS.

While the parish has its discouragements — and what parish has them not? — there is much that is encouraging. It occupies an important field. Around a nucleus of most excellent people, faithfully laboring for Christ and His cause, there is a good deal of more or less churchly material to be brought and wrought into the church. The Sunday school is in a healthy condition, and promises well. The financial condition of the parish is not what it once was, or all that might be desired. But the parish seems to do as well as it can, and the ladies of the parish who have taken this work in hand have done nobly, as the report shows, in their efforts to liquidate the debt on the church. And knowing how seriously this debt affects the parish in many ways, we heartily wish that some one would come forward and give these faithful ladies large and generous help, or, better still, that the whole remaining debt might be removed at once. And then, what is so necessary for the parish, the whole energy of the people could be given to sustaining the services of the church. Being without a rector for so much of the year, accounts for none being confirmed or added to the communion.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILLVILLE.

The Rev. JESSE ELLIOT HEALD, *Rector*.

HENRY S. MANSFIELD and WILLIAM A. COLE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 5; total added, 10; died, 1; removed, 3; suspended, 1; total lost, 5; present number, 75. Marriages, 2. Funerals 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 57. Church: Value, \$5,500; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$50.26. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$20; pew rents, \$486 14; donations, \$72; investments, \$13.77; total, \$591.91. Sunday school, \$52.49; increase and improvement of church property, \$157.25; other parochial objects, \$18.13. Total for objects within the parish, \$870.04.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$12.25; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$17.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$902.29.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NANTUCKET.

The Rev. LEVI BOYER, *Rector*.ARTEMAS DAVIS and CHARLES H. STARBUCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Died, 1; present number, 29. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$1,700; sittings, 230. Parsonage: Value, \$800.

CONTRIBUTIONS

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$38.80. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$251.28; donations, \$330; other sources, \$40; total, \$621.28. Sunday school: Penny collections, \$10.41; increase and improvement of church property, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$720.49.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$2; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$2. Total for objects without the parish, \$4.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.50. Total of contributions, \$764.99.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NATICK.

The Rev. FRANK HAGAR BIGELOW, *Minister*.FRANK E. CUMMINGS and CHARLES E. HAMILTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 2; total, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 1; total added, 5; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 47. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 62. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 225.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$346.34; donations, \$37. Total, \$383.34. Sunday school, \$26.87.

Total of contributions, \$410.21.

REMARKS.

The change of ministers caused a temporary suspension of the regular services during July and August, but since that time many signs of encouragement have been manifested among us, in the increase of the congregations, several improvements of church interior, and particularly in the purchase of a very nice pipe organ.

GRACE CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. GEO. A. STRONG, *Rector*.SAMUEL LEONARD, Jr., and C. B. H. FESSENDEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 5; total, 18. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 8; died, 3; removed, 2; total lost, 5; present number, 150. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 120. Church: Value, \$8,500. Chapel: Value, \$1,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$205.90. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$530.05; collections in church, \$83.65; pew rents, \$2,253.50; donations, \$125; investments, \$0; other sources, \$250.01. Sunday school, \$40.30. Increase and improvement of church property, \$25 470. For new organ, \$1,085. N. B. — The parish has also received the gift of a lot on which a new church is being built, estimated value, \$9,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$30,093.41.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70. Convention Fund, \$30. Bible Society, \$20 62. Total, \$120.62.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$58.81. Domestic missions in general, \$38.73. For Indians, \$16.48. Package to Indians (Ladies' Society), \$40. Package to freed-men (Ladies' Society), \$25. Woman's Helper, \$5. Woman's Helper for Bishop Spalding, \$5. Foreign missions in general, \$90.60. Mexican, \$39.51. Total of missionary contributions, \$319.13.

Total of contributions, \$80,533.16.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES HAYDEN PROCTOR, *Rector*.

ANDREW BANNISTER and GEORGE SPENCER, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 21. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Present number, 94. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$20,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,419.

REMARKS.

My absence from the parish for the greater part of the parochial year (enforced through ill health) necessitates a report that is wholly an aggregate, and not one which can enter into detail. All offerings have been devoted to current expenses, which includes interest on parish debt and a percentage on principal of debt. The sums of money accounted for do not pass through channels that are specified in the blank provided, except the "offering." I regret a report which indicates no offering for objects without the parish. A future record shall show a more watchful interest in work which lies beyond the borders of our parish.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWBURYPORT.

The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Present number, about 300. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 20. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 133. Chapel: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 250. The ancient church, with its extensive graveyard, cannot be estimated by a pecuniary basis. Investments, \$24,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (not elsewhere reported), \$176.83. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, and from investments, \$3,073.40; Committee on Decorations, \$27.70; through Committee on Parish Aid, \$23.03; Chancel Committee and miscellaneous, \$40. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,340 96.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$27; Howard Benevolent Society, \$30 25. Total for objects without the parish, \$57.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Episcopal City (Newburyport) missions, \$87.00. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Eastern Convocation, \$36.25. Domestic: Indian, and articles, etc., \$189. Foreign missions in general, \$40. Total of missionary contributions, \$452.25.

Total of contributions, \$3,850.46.

REMARKS.

The long list of funerals in the annual reports, indicates the changes in this ancient parish. The families which have been so long identified with it are passing rapidly away. Many of our people pass their winters and until late in the spring elsewhere. It will require patience and prudence to adjust our work to these changed conditions of parish life.

GRACE CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, *Rector.*

EDWIN F. WATERS, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adults, 1; total, 23. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Present number, 230. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 120. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$99,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, and special offerings for the poor, \$478. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$12,093.98. Sunday school, \$92. Total for objects within the parish, \$12,663 98.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$37.50; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$10; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$10; Christian or theological education, \$150; erection of churches and chapels, \$7.09. Total, \$277.09.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$31.51. Domestic: Special for Leadville, \$10; special for Texas, \$75. Foreign: Special for Dr. Love, Hayti, \$102. Other contributions of money and goods for domestic and foreign missions, \$348.53. Total for missionary contributions, \$567.04.

Total of contributions, \$13,508.11.

REMARKS.

This parish celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its organization on the 26th and 27th of September, 1880. The statistics for the twenty-five years are as follows:—

Baptisms, 378. Confirmed, 216. Marriages, 75. Burials, 151.

Contributions for all purposes supporting services, erection of buildings, etc., \$201,086.

The parish in this time has had five rectors, — the Rev. Messrs. Greene, Steenstra, Mayer, Jenckes, and Shinn. It has grown from a very small beginning to a condition of prominence and prosperity.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WEST NEWTON AND AUBURNDALE.

The Rev. G. W. SHINN, *Minister in charge.*

Mr. C. W. K. MORRILL, *Lay Reader.*

Baptisms, 6. Confirmed, 8. Marriages, 1. Communicants, about 30. Contributions, not counting the amount expended upon the new building, \$609.11.

REMARKS.

Since the last report this parish has begun the erection of a new building. Plans have been adopted for a church and chapel, but for the present, only the chapel and vestry-room will be built. The material used is brown-stone. The expense of this work will be reported when finished. There will be in the part now to be built seating space for about 150 persons, but it is hoped that before long the larger building will be erected. The Rev. Mr Shinn has resigned his charge of the parish, to take effect in September.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, *Rector.*

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 3; total, 8. Confirmed, 2. Communicants, 110. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Scholars, 84. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Total contributions for all purposes within and without the parish, \$2,252.32.

REMARKS.

The difference between the number of communicants reported this year and last is occasioned by deaths, removals, and striking off of those who do not communicate. A small host of true people is better than a great number of uncertain Christians.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH ADAMS.

The Rev. JAMES B. WASSON, *Rector.*

CHAS. H. READ and ANSON D. MINER, *Church - Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 4; total, 25. Confirmed 6. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 8; total added, 15; died, 2; removed, 8; total lost, 10; present number, 130. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 120. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$72. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$245.10; pew rents, \$1,142.75; donations, \$100; other sources, \$81.39; total, \$1,519.24. Sunday school and Parish library, \$245. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,764.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$12.

Total of contributions, \$1,776.24.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.

WILLIAM C. ROBINSON and D. W. CRAFTS, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 4; total, 13. Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 70. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$47.55. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,520.38. Sunday school: For children's Christmas, \$11.63. Total, \$1,579.56.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Sunday-school offering for papers, \$15.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.28. Union Relief Society (local), \$8. Domestic missions in general (Sunday school), \$24. Total, \$48.23.

Total of contributions, \$1,642.79.

GRACE CHURCH, NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH.

The Rev. GEORGE ENDICOTT OSGOOD, *Rector*.

OTIS STANLEY and ABEL R. BLOCK, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 4; total added, 5; present number, 53. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 95. Church: Value, \$11,000; sittings, 254. Parsonage: Value, \$2,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$188.25; pew rents, \$637.05; other sources, \$105.94; total, \$881.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21.

Total of contributions, \$902.24.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Geo. R. Wheelock resigned the charge of this parish in September, 1880. The rectorship remained vacant from that time until Jan. 23, 1881, when the present rector entered upon his duties.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, OTIS.

[No report.]

GRACE CHURCH, OXFORD.

The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Minister in charge.*

Communicants: Present number, 15. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 175. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$23,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Collections in church from Dec. 12, 1880, to May 1, 1881, \$39.81; other sources, \$10.05. Total, \$49.86.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.

Total of contributions, \$54.86.

REMARKS.

The report covers a period of seven months, from Oct. 1 to May 1, during which time an evening service has been held every Sunday. At these services there has been an encouraging attendance, varying from fifty to one hundred, although composed largely of persons outside of our own communion.

The small remnant of the church which yet remain show a commendable degree of interest, and the minister in charge thinks that we have reason to expect a slow but permanent growth.

Since May 1, the ladies have raised, by means of a fair, some fifty or sixty dollars, which, of course, does not appear in this report.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PEABODY.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary.*

EDGAR W. UPTON, *Church - Warden.* D. P. GROSVENOR, Jr., *Treasurer.*
JOHN SWANTON, *Clerk.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 7; total added, 10; died, 1; removed, 5; total lost, 6; present number, 57. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$1,900; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,900.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$406 35; subscriptions from the congregation for debt, \$280; donations (liquidating debt), \$300; Ladies' Missionary Society (for debt), \$147; Sunday school, \$12.51; increase and improvement of church property (raising church), \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,195.86.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5. Domestic missions in general, \$1; box for Indians, value, \$48.75; total, \$49.75. Foreign missions: For Miss Pitman's salary, \$5; for Mexico, \$2; total, \$7. Total, \$61.75.

Total of contributions, \$1,257.61.

REMARKS.

I am happy to report that the debt upon the church property has been paid. Two or three generous donations from friends have, together with

the exertions of the congregation, brought about this good result. We extend our hearty thanks. This spring we found that the sills of the building were decaying, and that it was necessary to raise the building from the ground. This we have done at an expense of \$50; and, as I write, a stone foundation is being put under. The men of the mission have come and worked, over-hours, in digging for the foundation, etc., thus saving money. A room is also being built for an organ and choir, which was found absolutely necessary. This expense we trust will soon be paid.

I am sorry to report no increase in the Sunday school. In the whole congregation, there are but twenty children available for Sunday school.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

W. E. VERMILYE, M. D., and F. E. KERNOCHAN, *Church - Wardens*.

Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Present number, 180. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 63. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory, \$745.98; pew rents, \$2,900; investments, \$2,945. Sunday school, \$65. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,655.98.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$75.00. For other objects without the parish, \$200. Total, \$275.00.

Total of contributions, \$6,930.98.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Wm. McGlathery resigned the rectorship of this parish in February, 1881, since which time the church has been without a rector. The Rev. Albert E. George officiated during the Lenten season, with fidelity and acceptance. In consequence of the infirm health of the late rector, probably, the register for the past year has been so imperfectly kept that it is not possible, in some instances, to furnish any statistics in the above report, and in others the figures must be only approximative. It is supposed that there are *about* one hundred and eighty communicants connected with the church at present. The communion alms since March have averaged ten dollars, but as the offerings are larger during the summer months, it may fairly be supposed that the alms for the year have been about \$130. There is no record of them in the parish register. The church has been recently newly carpeted throughout by the Woman's Aid Society. Some needful repairs have also been made to the building. There is a "rectory fund" of about \$3,000 belonging to the church, and it is believed that during the coming year steps will be taken to build a suitable house for our future pastor.

CHRIST CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

The Rev. JAMES AUGUSTUS SANDERSON, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Communicants: Received, 4; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 37. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$225; subscriptions, \$275; donations, \$55; total, \$555.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.06. Domestic missions: Mission to Deaf-Mutes, \$6.61; Jews, \$0.90; for Indians, through Woman's Auxiliary, one package, \$12. Total, \$24.57.

Total of contributions, \$579.57.

REMARKS.

The chancel windows, presented by Thos. E. Cornish, Esq., of Philadelphia, were put in position last August, and add materially to the beauty and comfort of the church. Services were held every Sunday evening during the summer and fall in Masonic Hall, near the French-Cable Station, Duxbury, the congregation averaging about fifty, nearly all church people. Two services were also held at the Standish House, South Duxbury, at the request of the proprietor. The Sunday school here has considerably increased the last year, and the outlook for the church was never more encouraging.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUINCY.

SAMUEL G. WYMAN and PETER BUTLER, Church-Wardens.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 5; total, 16. **Confirmed,** 12 (6 at Hingham). **Communicants:** Admitted, 12; received, 2; total added, 14; died, 3; removed, 13; total lost, 16; present number, 180. **Marriages,** 3. **Funerals,** 9. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 142. **Church:** Value, \$25,000; sittings, 300. **Parsonage:** Value, \$5,000. **Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish,** \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,686.30; Sunday school, \$58.57; increase and improvement of church property, \$242.72; Pledge Fund (towards reducing church debt), \$713.26; Christmas and Easter expenses, \$91; Ladies' Charitable Society, \$45; charity within the parish, \$100; total, \$2,936.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45.50; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$14.90; Christian or theological education, \$18.10. Total for objects without the parish, \$78.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36.34. Domestic missions in general: Offertory, \$27.07; mite-chests, \$54.28. Indian missions: Offertory, \$26.77; Indian scholarship subscribed by Sunday school, \$60; box, \$25. Colored people's mission, \$25.85; missionary box, \$30. Foreign missions in general, \$27.47. Hayti mission, per Rev. J. Robert Love, M. D., \$25.03. Brackett memorial scholarship in China, \$50. Mexican mission, \$23.22; Mexican scholarship, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$451.03.

Total of contributions, \$3,466.38.

REMARKS.

This parish is now without a rector, the Rev. Thaddeus A. Snively having resigned his charge in February, 1881.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCHDALE.

The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Officiating Clergyman.*

TOLMAN TRASK and ISAAC B. HARTWELL, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Present number, 50. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 52. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$15. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$119.01; pew rents, \$302.25; subscriptions, \$100; other sources, \$85.83; total, \$607.09. Sunday school, \$10.20. Increase and improvement of church property: Repairs, \$262.89; insurance, \$22 50. Total, \$917.68.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$7.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Foreign Missions in general: Contributed by the Sunday school, \$11.07. Total, \$21.07

Total of contributions, \$946.25.

REMARKS.

The minister in charge takes great pleasure in reporting the past year as one of prosperity for Christ Church, Rochdale. All the members of the parish have vied with one another in doing all, and even more, than could have been asked of them, and consequently we have had a year marked by harmony, consolidation, and growth. We think that we have every reason to thank God and take courage.

GRACE CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, *Rector.*

BENJAMIN SHREVE and DANIEL B. HAGAR, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 6; total added, 13; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3; present number, 130. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$296.95. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,882 25; parish sales, \$333.97. Sunday school, \$20.74; Christmas festival, \$88.87; Easter offertory, part for chapel and part for other objects without the parish, \$250. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,872.78.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$24. Society for Increase of Ministry, \$25.41. Salem Relief Committee, \$35. Special for poor, \$60. Total for objects without the parish, \$196.91.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$55.61. Domestic missions in general, \$10; mission for colored people, \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$37.61. Total, \$113.22

Total of contributions, \$4,182.91.

REMARKS.

The 4th of July, 1880, was the tenth anniversary of the present rector. An address on the occasion made note of the fact, and gave a record of statistics for the period. As bearing upon a passage of the Episcopal Charge of the same year, in which the Bishop speaks of the frequent dissolution of the pastoral relation, and that we are becoming Methodists in respect of itinerancy, it may be interesting to state that the writer is one of the original "73" that greeted his entrance into the diocese; and further, that the same pastorate rejoices in finding itself the longest, by a few days, of any of the Episcopal church in this city that has had its beginning in this century. The parish has contributed for the support of church services, \$30,847; in liquidation of original debt, \$3,000; for missionary and charitable objects, \$10,008; making a total of \$43,856. Baptisms, 117. Confirmations (9 in number), 65. Marriages, 40. Burials, 45. Two candidates have entered the sacred ministry, Rev. Harry Peirce Nichols and the Rev. Louis Shreve Osborne. In the way of church improvement, the church has been redecorated and recarpeted, has received a new communion table, new font and chancel furniture, and a handsome service of silver for the celebration of the Holy Communion, and silver alms plates "In Memoriam" of Eliza E. Gardner, Elizabeth P. Shreve, and Matilda D. Brown. The number of communicants found its parallel in that early church, whose names together were about one hundred and twenty.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D. D., *Rector*.

CHARLES H. BATES and JOHN P. PEABODY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 4; total, 9. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Died, 3; present number, 300. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 145. Church: Value, \$40,000; sittings, 700. Chapel: Value, \$9,000; sittings, 175. Parsonage: Value, \$6,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$55,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, and for the poor, \$430.12. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$3,625 34; subscriptions, \$500; donations for boy choir, \$270; total, \$4,395.34. Sunday school, \$129.45; fund for support of rectory, \$149. Total, \$5,103.91.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$40; to a home missionary, \$62. Total for objects without the parish, \$102.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100; St. Paul's mission, Peabody, \$100; Chelmsford mission, \$27. Domestic: Missions in general, \$52; Mexican mission, \$44; Rev. Mr. Love, Hayti, \$50; Bishop Spalding's missions, \$71; Divinity School, Faribault, \$71; Bishop Spalding, \$10; Bishop Tuttle, \$18; three missionary boxes, \$265.54; Indian, \$40; freedmen, \$27.60. Foreign missions: Cuban mission, \$3; Japan, \$10. Total, \$909.14.

Total of contributions, \$6,115.05.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD.

The Rev. HARRY JAMES BODLEY, *Minister in charge.*

Major-General JOHN G. BAWARD and Mr. LEMIST, *Church-Wardens.*

Communicants: Present number, about 30; average present, about 10. Marriage, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 10. Church: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$11. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$89.80; pledges, \$81.86; subscriptions, \$150.00; donations, \$50.00; total, \$371.66.

Total of contributions, \$382.66.

REMARKS.

The within is as satisfactory as can be made from data in my possession. It is impossible to give special offerings for missions, etc., because Dr. Parker usually forwarded the money himself, and the treasurer has no record of them.

I have reduced the number of communicants, inasmuch as, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there are not certainly *more* than thirty (30), and I doubt whether so many ought to be regarded as actual communicants in this parish.

I have also reduced the estimate of value of church property to same amount as was reported to Census Bureau (exclusive of Sunday school library).

The Rev. Wm. Allen Johnson, of Salisbury, supplied Christ Church, Sheffield, for about twenty weeks. The undersigned has been in charge since the latter part of January.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HARRY JAMES BODLEY.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, *Rector.*

REUBEN P. BENTON and SAMUEL REYNOLDS, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 4; total added, 10; died, 3; removed, 5; total lost, 8; present number, 96. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 40. Church: Value, say, \$17,000; sittings, 450. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, say, \$17,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$490.26; subscriptions, \$849.80; other sources, \$223; total, \$1,563.06. Sunday school, \$35. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,598.06.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15. Domestic missions: One box Dakota mission.

Total of contributions, \$1,628.06.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, EAST SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, *Rector*.DOUGLAS FRAZAR and EDWARD S. BAILEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 26. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 4; total added, 19; died, 6; removed, 7; total lost, 13; present number, 185. Marriages, 22. Funerals, 27. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 187.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$728; other sources, \$673.90. Total, \$1,401.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$21; Convention Fund, \$9. Total for objects without the parish, \$30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.

Total of contributions, \$1,451.90.

REMARKS.

The parish church received at Easter a beautiful gift in the form of a memorial window, being an affectionate tribute to the pleasant remembrance of the name and the work of our late lay-reader and vestryman, Mr. Edward A. Kelley.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTH ADAMS.

The Rev. JAMES B. WASSON, *Minister*.JOHN S. ADAMS and JAMES OSBORNE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 8; present number, 70. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 52.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$12.25. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$119.34; pew rents, \$779; other sources, \$2.40; total \$900.74. Sunday school, \$53.25; fund for new church, \$15,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$15,966.24.

REMARKS.

Nothing has been contributed by the parish to objects without the diocese during the last year, the period during which the money for the new church has been raised. It is expected that the parish will be able to contribute to the customary objects hereafter.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTHBOROUGH.

The Rev. J. I. T. COOLIDGE, D. D., *Rector*.JOSEPH BURNETT and L. W. NEWTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 2; total, 3. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 1; total added, 10; removed, 10; present number, 49. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 2. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms, \$18.32. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,000; increase and improvement of church property, \$1,200. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,218.32.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$48. General missions, \$78.02. Total, \$126.02.

Total of contributions, \$2,359.34.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, SOUTH GROVELAND.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS SHAW and WILLIAM HOPKINSON PARKER,
Church - Wardens.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 1; total, 14. Communicants: Removed, 11; present number, 50. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 72. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$61.38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$125.52; pew rents, \$453.43; subscriptions, \$672.23. Sunday school, \$29.38. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,341.94.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$2; Eastern Convocation, \$2; Woman's Auxillary mission, \$2. Total \$6.00.

Total of contributions, \$1,362.94.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, SOUTH LINCOLN.

The Rev. P. H. STEENSTRA, *Minister in charge.*

NAHUM SMITH and GEORGE G. CHENEY, *Church - Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infant, 1. Communicants: Removed, 1; present number, 37. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Collections in church, \$263.12; subscriptions, \$71; donations, \$162; other sources, \$333.65. Sunday school, \$30. Total for objects within the parish, \$859.77.

Total of contributions, \$859.77.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, *Rector.*

JOHN B. STEBBINS and JAMES D. BREWER, *Church - Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 37; adults, 1; total, 38. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 10; total added, 19; died, 5; removed, 3;

total lost, 8; present number, 525. Marriages, 18. Funerals, 27. Sunday schools (2): Officers and teachers, 86; scholars, 250. Mission school: Teacher, 1; scholars, 25. Church (old and new): Value, \$85,000; sittings, 900. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$89,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$527.79. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,866.92; pew rents, \$4,535.99; other sources, \$628.49. Sunday school, \$210; new chapel fund, \$181; cabinet organ, \$101.25; Easter flowers, \$50; sewing school and kitchen garden, \$50.83; sewing societies, \$59. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,161.27.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$105; Convention Fund, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$125.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$54.78. Domestic missions: For Bishop Tuttle, \$67.98; for Nashotah, \$10; Bishop Clarkson, \$5; deaf-mutes, \$5.24; package for freedmen's school, \$20; box for Indian missions, \$45. Foreign missions in general: For Japan, \$58.89; Sunday school scholarship in China, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$296.84.

Total of contributions, \$8,583.11.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STOCKBRIDGE.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Rector*.

DANIEL B. FENN, Jr., and CHARLES H. PLUMB, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 8; total, 10. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 5; total added, 10; died, 3; present number, 148. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 96. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$440.32 (of which \$314.15, specially appropriated, is reported elsewhere), leaving \$126.17. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$355.18; pew rents, \$1,232.40; subscriptions, \$345; total, \$1,932.58. Parochial missions, \$300; for general purposes, \$83. Christmas tree, \$125. Given specially for the poor, \$78. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,644.75.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$24.50; Convention Fund, \$22.50; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$33.92; Christian or Theological Education Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$55.39. Total for objects without the parish, \$136.31.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$92.02. Domestic missions: Freedmen, \$58.09; scholarship, \$264.19; Dakota League, \$141; missions in general, \$43.08. Total for missionary contributions, \$598.38.

Total of contributions, \$3,379.39.

REMARKS.

This parish has sustained a great loss in the death of the late Dr. Parker, who, for more than two years, had acted as assistant minister at the South Lee Mission, and who was always ready to offer kind and brotherly help in pulpit and pastoral ministrations in the parish at Stockbridge, of which he had for many years been rector. He might in fact be called its founder. To his self-denying and persistent labor it owes much of its present strength.

The present rector gratefully records his appreciation of the many acts of assistance and kindness received from Dr. Parker during the past seven years.

The parish has sent two valuable boxes to missionaries since the last Convention.

CHRIST CHURCH, SWANSEA.

The Rev. WM. T. FITCH, *Rector*.

WM. H. PEARSE and HENRY C. WOOD, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms : Infants, 2. Communicants : present number, 18. Funerals, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, \$250.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.30.

Total of contributions, \$263.80.

REMARKS.

There was service every other Sunday at 3 P. M., or three services when five Sundays in the month, from May until Jan 1, 1881. Since then the church has been closed. The present minister voluntarily officiated on the third and fourth Sundays after Easter, May 8 and 15, 1881. The attendance has always been good, — from forty to seventy-five; but there are only a few who are willing or able to pay anything for the support of a minister. It seems a pity that the pretty little church, in one of the most delightful of our villages, should be closed, especially when there is no other of the denomination within a mile of the village.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, *Rector*.

HENRY NICKOLDS and JASON H. HAYWARD, *Church - Wardens*.

Baptisms : Infants, 19. Communicants : Present number, 75. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 5. Sunday school : Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 95. Church : Value, \$20,000; sittings, 400. Chapel : Sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$47.75. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$950.55; other sources (Easter fair), \$180; Sunday school, \$139.07; parish library, \$23.95; increase and improvement of church property, \$144 30. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,485.62.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$15; Convention Fund, \$13.50; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$38.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$26 92. Domestic missions: Indians, \$19. Foreign missions: Africa, \$3.50; China, \$10; Japan, \$5. Total, \$64.42.

Total of contributions, \$1,588.54.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROYD, *Rector*.

WILLIAM C. LOVERING and WILLIAM H. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 6; total, 20. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 1; total added, 13; died, 5; removed, 3; total lost, 8; present number, 315. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 24. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 29; scholars, 267.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$389.55. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$4,508.04. Sunday school, \$180; parish library, \$45.44; robing-room, \$16.93; parish debt, \$2,577.08. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,717.04.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$56; Convention Fund, \$37.50; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$54; aid to other parishes, \$350; aid to missionaries, \$322 88. Total for objects without the parish, \$820.38.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Missions in general, \$428.12.

Total of contributions, \$7,965.54.

TRINITY CHURCH, VAN DEUSENVILLE.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, *Rector*.

GARRETT BURGERT and PEREGRINE COMSTOCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; removed, 4; present number, 48. Funerals, 3. Church: Value, \$5,000. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$57.42; subscriptions, \$209; investments, \$81; other sources, \$139; total, \$486.42. Sunday school, \$23; increase and improvement of church property, \$14.10; other parochial objects, \$48 17. Total for objects within the parish, \$571.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$3; Christian or theological education, \$17.53. Total, \$20.53.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$35.02. Domestic missions: Box for Dakota League, \$25. Total, \$60.00.

Total of contributions, \$652.22.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WAKEFIELD.**The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary.*****SAMUEL HODGKISS, *Lay Reader.*****ADAM AUGUSTUS HAWKES, *Warden.* CHAS. I. GOODALE, *Clerk.***

Baptisms: Infants, 9. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 6; total added, 7; died, 1; removed, 6; total lost, 7; present number, 41. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 41. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,203.58.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$366.88; increase and improvement of church property, \$8,203.58. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,569.96.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$3,584.96.

REMARKS.

The good work has gone on very prosperously during the past year. The efforts of the lay reader and the congregation are worthy of earnest and hearty commendation. They have worked together nobly for the prosperity of the church, and hearty thanks are given to kind friends outside the mission who so nobly responded to the appeal for aid. The result of the combined efforts is the erection of a comely building for the service and worship of Almighty God. In these things I heartily rejoice, and thank God also for the spiritual condition of the mission. I feel that now the success of the work is placed beyond a doubt.

CHRIST CHURCH, WALTHAM.**The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector.*****HENRY S. NASH, *Lay Reader.*****MOSES E. OSGOOD and OTIS E. HUNT, M. D., *Church - Wardens.***

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 6; total, 19. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 18; received, 12; total added, 30; died, 2; removed, 9; total lost, 11; present number, 195. Marriages, 13; Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 150; two Bible-classes, 25. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$3,200; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$142.87. Easter offering, \$265. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$5,034.21. Parochial mission and organ for South-side, \$198; increase and improvement of church property, \$2,799.18; other parochial objects, \$119.34. Total, \$8,578.10.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45; Convention Fund, \$19.50; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Total \$89.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$75.97. Domestic missions in general, \$32.14; Indian and colored missions, \$47. Foreign missions in general, \$82.19; Bible-class for scholarship in Japan, \$30.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$267.80.

Total of contributions, \$8,985.40.

REMARKS.

During the year our church has been entirely renewed, and very tastefully decorated, with the help of special gifts and memorials; and by the generous contributions of all the parish, we have now a truly beautiful sanctuary, in every way adapted to its holy uses, and we are happy to say that the cost, about \$2,800, has been entirely met.

For different objects mentioned in this report, the Sunday school has contributed \$39.89. The ladies, in their Parochial Circle, have been able, as the result of two successfully conducted sales, to reduce considerably the indebtedness still remaining on the rectory. A Missionary Sewing Society, originating with the Ladies' Bible Class, has been formed, which, beside its salutary influence in bringing the young together, is doing a good work both within and without the parish. A Girls' Friendly Society has been formed, which numbers forty-five members and twenty-seven associates. Its meetings are held weekly, with much interest and the promise of decided good.

We have commenced services on the South-side of the river in the vicinity of the works of the American Watch Company. They have been conducted by Mr. H. S. Nash, a candidate for orders, who now, we trust, as a minister, will be able to devote himself entirely to work in this field. Earnest efforts are now in progress to secure the erection of a chapel. This, if it can be effected, will help to meet the religious needs of a rapidly growing and unusually interesting population, where there is now no place of worship. From all these causes, we are able to speak of greater vigor and activity than at any previous stage of our history. We see before us an open door, wider than we are able of ourselves to enter as we would. We trust, however, that, with the help of friends and the blessing of God, we shall go forward.

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, WEBSTER.

The Rev. LANGDON CHEVES STEWARDSON, *Rector.*

JAMES H. HOWE and JAMES FRANCIS, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 16; total added, 27; died, 1; removed, 11; total lost, 12; present number, 92. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 92. Church: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$114.71. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,377.54. Sunday school: Contributions, \$100; increase and improvement of church property, \$100; Christmas tree for Sunday school, \$117. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,809.25.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund (interest on assessment), \$52.50; Convention Fund, \$22.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$234.48. Domestic missions: Dakota League, 1 box for Sister Julia, \$39.05; 1 box, St. Paul's School, \$49.65; to Mrs. Payne, \$15. Total, \$338.78.

Total of contributions, \$8,222.43.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, WESTFIELD.

The Rev. HENRY J. SHERIDAN, *Rector*.

M. J. GILLETTE and GEORGE H. PRESCOTT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 1; total, 8. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 8; total added, 15; died, 4; removed, 5; total lost, 9; present number, 48. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 89. Church: Value, \$6,102; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$6,102.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$165.18; subscriptions, \$52.22; Ladies' Aid Society, \$158.04. New church, \$2,882.27.

Total of contributions, \$3,207.71.

TRINITY CHURCH, WEYMOUTH.

The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, *Rector*.

EDWARD AVERY and WILLIAM S. WALLACE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Communicants: Received, 7; removed, 9; present number, 49. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 55. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$118.81; subscriptions, \$378; donations, \$10; other sources, \$25. Sunday school (from the school, \$16.65), \$40.60; parochial missions, \$7.07; increase and improvement of church property, \$93.40; gratuitous distribution of "Parish Visitor," \$4.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$677.38.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$2.50; Convention Fund, \$5.50; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$4.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$12.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.75. Domestic missions in general, \$5.00; box to colored school in Savannah, Ga. (from Sunday school), valued at \$20.00. Foreign missions (for Mexico, \$11.50), \$18. Total, \$59.75.

Total of contributions, \$749.88.

REMARKS.

Of the one hundred and sixty-five services of the year, forty-nine were held at East Braintree. The exterior of the church has been painted, and other necessary improvements and repairs made.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILKINSONVILLE.

The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, *Rector*.

HARVEY DODGE and DANIEL M. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infant, 1; adults, 3; total, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 1; total added, 3; died, 2; present number, 55. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 64.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$45.90. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$7.30; pew rents, \$350; other sources, \$100. Total, \$457.30. Sunday school library, \$33. Total for objects within the parish, \$536.20.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$26.75; Convention Fund, \$6. Total for objects without the parish, \$32.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$24. Domestic missions in general, \$3. Woman's Auxiliary, \$2.50. Foreign missions in general, \$3. Total, \$32.50.

Total of contributions, \$601.45.

REMARKS.

Through the untiring efforts of the Ladies' Aid Society, and the kindly interest of some of our young people, we have been able this year to purchase an organ for the Sunday school, and to remove the indebtedness of the parish, in paying off the principal on note for the Episcopal Fund.

The rector wishes to express here his sincere gratitude for kind remembrances received during the past year.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSTOWN.

[No report.]

TRINITY CHURCH, WOBURN.

The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; adult, 1; total, 17. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 18; total added, 24; died, 1; removed, 18; total lost, 19; present number, 85. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 200; organ, \$500; Sunday-school library, \$30; etc., \$70. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, and collections in church, \$290.81; Easter donations, \$100. Total, \$390.81.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5. Domestic missions: Dakota League, \$5. Foreign missions: Japan, \$3. Total, \$13.00.

Total of contributions, \$408.81.

REMARKS.

During the past year, by the blessing of God, the work has been continued in faith. Repairs have been made upon the edifice as required, without increasing the debt. Baptisms, confirmation, marriages, burials, and communion list a little exceed those of the preceding year. Indications are that the parish will develop in the spirit and power of the Lord. Peace, harmony, and good-will prevail among those that are accustomed to worship with us, and a desire to see the work prosper in the right direction.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WOOD'S HOLL.

The Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, D. D., *Rector*.

LEWIS SWIFT and CHARLES WALTER DAVIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Died, 1; present number, 41. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 2; scholars, 22. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$151.54. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$444.20; donations, \$725; total, \$1,169.20. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,315.74.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$100; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$100. Total for objects without the parish, \$200.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.

Total of contributions, \$1,540.74.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON, D. D., *Rector*.

SUMNER PRATT and EDWARD LIVINGSTON DAVIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 51; adults, 7; total, 58. Confirmed, 25. Communicants: Admitted, 25; received, 18; total added, 43; died, 4; removed, 4; total lost, 8; present number, 400. Marriages, 22. Funerals, 42. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 40; scholars, 410.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$522.48. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$8,094.49; Sunday school, \$40.84; parish library, \$53.74; increase and improvement of church property, \$1,000; clerical assistance, \$350; Women's Missionary Society, \$116; Christmas and Easter festivals, \$193. Total, \$10,370.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$140; Convention Fund, \$60; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$16; Home for Orphan Children, Worcester, \$82.77; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$12.21; Christian or theological education, \$90; erection of churches and chapels, \$196; deaf-mute mission, \$21.91. Total for objects without the parish, \$618.89.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions: In general, \$118; Indian mission, \$67.78; missions to the Jews, \$19.22. Foreign missions: In general, \$61.40. Total for missionary contributions, \$366.40.

Total of contributions, \$11,355.84.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. JULIUS HENRY WATERBURY, *Rector*.

CHARLES BOOTH and MATTHEW J. WHITTALL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 50. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 165. Church: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECT WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$27.11. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$83.72; subscriptions, \$348.66; Parish Industrial Society, \$50; Sunday school, \$60.

Total of contributions, \$569.49.

REMARKS.

"St. Matthew's Church is free of debt." "The House of Prayer," Cherry Valley, or Mission Station, reports from Nov. 1, 1880, to May 1, 1881, "received and expended," \$131.68.

The Rev. J. H. Waterbury took charge of this work on the 5th of May, 1881, and therefore has merely to forward the report as it came to his hand. On the 20th of October, 1880, he resigned "free and clear," without regrets or complaints, the chaplaincy of the Massachusetts State Prison, to take effect Jan. 1, 1881. He had "served in prison" nearly three years, and was glad to take more active work for the church. Since his resignation, he has preached on "Praise and Music," and delivered practical lectures on church music upon more than one hundred and fifty (150) occasions.

Grateful to God for the honor and happiness of being once more a shepherd and servant of a flock in the church, he retains unqualified confidence in the power of good church music to build up Christ in human souls, and extend the worship to Him "without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy." "The Lord's name be praised." He reports nine converts baptized in prison, and all the regular Sunday-morning services allowed there. As church music is an important factor in liturgical worship, he hopes more attention will be given to the cultivation of vocal sacred music as a contribution to Christian unity.

TRINITY CHURCH, WRENTHAM.**The Rev. GEORGE W. PORTER, D. D., *Rector*.****I. E. POLLARD and E. I. FELT, *Church - Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adult, 1; total, 5. Communicants: Present number, 48. Marriages, 8. Church: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$29.85. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$100.74; pew rents, \$393.98; other sources, \$249.91. Sunday school, \$8.34. Total, \$782.82.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$807.82.

ST. PAUL'S MISSION, NORTH ANDOVER.**The Rev. AUGUSTINE HEARD AMORY, *Missionary*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 1. Communicants, 20. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Teachers, 8; scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Offerings at the offertory, \$550; Sunday school, \$5.50. Total, \$555.50.

II.

PERSONAL REPORTS.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

I have been engaged as usual during the past year in teaching Church History in the Episcopal Theological School. I resigned my charge of the Mission of the Ascension in East Cambridge, on the 1st of November, having held it for three years. The record of baptisms, marriages, funerals, etc., is reported elsewhere. I have continued to officiate on Sundays as my services are called for, or as I may have opportunity.

ALEXANDER V. G. ALLEN.

CAMBRIDGE, May 17, 1881.

To the Bishop of the Diocese :

I began to hold services in the Town Hall of North Andover, September, 1880. The attendance at the services has been steadily good, and the people have shown great interest. At Christmas there was a Christmas tree for the children, and on Easter Sunday a children's service with presentation of plants. One service and a Sunday-school session have been held each Sunday, also a service one evening of each week, and special services during Lent. On May 16, a meeting was called of those interested in the mission to take action towards building a chapel. It is expected that the money will soon be collected, and that the chapel will be built this summer. But it is resolved that nothing shall be done unless sufficient money be raised, to prevent all risk of running into debt. The mission, for the present, will be maintained in connection with Grace Church Parish, Lawrence. In addition to this mission work, my duties have been, as assistant of the Rev. Mr. Lawrence, Lawrence, to assist him in parish work in Lawrence, and in services and Sunday school.

AUGUSTINE H. AMORY.

LAWRENCE, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H Paddock, D. D. :

During the past year, the state of my health has been such as to allow me to officiate at four funerals, to administer the holy communion occasionally, to preach several times, and to make addresses to Sunday schools and on other similar occasions.

WM. R. BABCOCK.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R I., May 17, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. Bishop Paddock, D. D. :

Reverend and dear Sir, — I have performed no official duties during the past year. I have endeavored to do some personal work for the Master's cause, in a quiet way. I hold myself in readiness for any work which God may, in his providence, and by the church authorities, lay upon me.

I am very respectfully and truly your son and servant in the gospel,

S. R. BAILEY.

LIVERMORE, ME., May 3, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I would report that I have performed the Administration of Private Baptism of Children on two several occasions. One of these baptisms was reported to the rector of St. Luke's Church in this place, to be entered on the books of that parish. The other was reported to the minister of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Haverhill, and by him certified. The latter was sent to the church last named because the mother of the child was herself baptized in St. John's, and was also married in that church, at the solemnization of which rite I assisted. I have also taken part on one occasion in divine service in St. Luke's Church in this city.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM S. BARTLET.

CHELSEA, May 18, A. D. 1881.

To the Bishop of the Diocese :

Since my annual report of 1880, I have presented the cause of church work in Mexico, in seven Dioceses of our church, on twenty-six occasions, of which two were in Massachusetts.

Other official duties have been sixteen sermons and twenty-eight services (in whole or in part) in the Dioceses of New York, Long Island, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, and New Jersey; in the Republic of Mexico, and at sea.

Added to these, one burial in New York, and two burials and one baptism in Mexico, besides other duties as General Secretary of the League in aid of the Mexican Branch of the Church.

ABBOTT BROWN.

May 17, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D. :

Since the close of my official relation to the parish of St. Luke's Church, I have been engaged in various duties as my services have been required, and as the condition of my health has permitted. I have baptized six children, married thirteen couples, and officiated at twelve funerals. In the early part of the year I assisted occasionally in divine service; but my hearing has become very imperfect, so that I cannot trust myself in conducting the public services of the church.

JOHN T. BURRILL.

CHELSEA, May 18, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D. :

My dear Bishop, — During the last year I have officiated and preached forty-seven times, administered the Communion four times, and officiated at four funerals. At three intervals of several weeks each during the year, I have been too unwell to undertake any ministerial duty.

Truly yours,

E. H. CANFIELD.

ARLINGTON, VT., May 2, 1881.

To the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I beg to report that for the last year, as well as the year before, I have officiated at divers times and places in the Dioceses of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New Hampshire.

Respectfully,

NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN.

CAMBRIDGE, May 17, 1881.

To Benj. H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and dear Sir, — For the time during which I have been laboring in connection with St. Matthew's Church, South Boston, under the direction of the rector of said parish, the Rev. John Wright (viz., from Jan. 15 to May 13, inclusive), I have officiated at eight (8) funerals and seven (7) baptisms. I have delivered sixty (60) sermons and lectures, and given thirty-eight (38) addresses. I have also made one hundred and fifty-one (151) calls, mostly on the poor and distressed of the parish, and have prepared a class for confirmation for May 11th.

Respectfully submitted,

A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ.

Boston, May, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese :

Rt. Rev. and dear Sir, — By the great mercy of God, I have been permitted for another year, without interruption from sickness, to continue in the discharge of my duties as Chaplain of the House of Correction, and of the Boston Lunatic Hospital. Services have been held every Sunday, and on Fast and Thanksgiving days, with daily week-day attendance at the first-named institution.

I have baptized two children, officiated at two marriages, and read the burial service at five funerals and assisted at two others.

Faithfully yours,

JOSEPH H. CLINCH.

Boston, May, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

I have no regular parochial charge, but during the past conventional year I have officiated in St. James's Church, Amesbury, thirty Sundays, and in St. James's Church, South Groveland, nine Sundays. I have administered the Holy Communion nine times, have attended four funerals, baptized two children, and officiated at four marriages.

SAMUEL M. EMERY.

NEWBURYPORT, May 18, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have performed the duties of the sacred ministry whenever my services have been required. Have celebrated the Holy Communion seven times, and have assisted in its ministration on six occasions.

Very respectfully,

F. A. FOXCROFT.

CAMBRIDGE, May 16, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I resigned St. Paul's parish, Natick, the 1st of June last, having remained in charge of that parish the previous five years. The following are some of the ministerial acts performed from that time to the meeting of the Convention. Residing at Wood's Holl during the summer and autumn, I often assisted the rector and occasionally preached in the Church of the Messiah in that place. In July, I preached two Sundays in St. Luke's Church, Lanesboro', celebrating the Holy Communion on one of them. In August, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion in Vineyard Haven; Oct. 3 and 10, preached in Grace Church, New Bedford; Oct. 17, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion in Brockton. During the months of February, March, and April, I was in Washington, in which city I preached in the churches of the Incarnation, Epiphany, St. John's, St. Luke's, Christ, and at the Soldiers' Home, and often assisted in the services at various churches, particularly at the Epiphany and St. John's. I also assisted in the services at Christ Church, Philadelphia, and at the churches of the Intercession and St. Mark's, New York City. In addition to the above, I assisted and preached in the Church of the Ascension, Fall River, and on returning from my three months' absence from the Diocese, I officiated again in Grace Church, New Bedford, the rector being absent.

Very sincerely yours,

B. R. GIFFORD.

May, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned respectfully begs leave to report that the past year has been spent partly on the ocean, but largely in Southern France; that his health has so far mended as to call for renewed thanks to God, and hopes for entire recovery; but that he has not yet felt at liberty to use his strength in the performance of any clerical duties.

EDWIN WALTER GOULD.

MENTONE, FRANCE, April 29, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D. :

My dear Bishop, — In accordance with the requirements of the canon, I herewith report as to my occupation during the past year, as Dean and Professor in the Episcopal Theological School.

As to St. John's Memorial Chapel, of the services in which I have charge, *ex officio*, I enclose a statement of the condition of the congregation worshipping there, and of its contributions for various purposes. You will see that the work connected with that part of my duties continues to be of considerable importance. Concerning the attendants, I would add that a large proportion of them had not been connected with our church before coming to the chapel, to which the very fact that it is not a parish church has often drawn them. The number of Harvard

students, for whose free accommodation the edifice was built, has continued to be encouraging.

In the classes of the Theological School there have been twenty men, of whom nine belong to this Diocese, and the rest are divided among six other Dioceses. I am happy to bear testimony to the consistency and industry of the students subject to your jurisdiction, as of those under other bishops.

The School has sustained a great loss in the death of its eminent Lecturer in Systematic Divinity, the Rev. A. H. Vinton, D. D. May God in his providence enable us soon to supply this vacancy, although we can hardly expect to secure speedily the equal of this distinguished man, whom all the church mourns as one of its brightest ornaments.

It is a pleasure to inform you of another generous benefaction, in addition to the gift of Burnham Hall, which was reported a year ago. Mr. Amos A. Lawrence has added to his previous munificent gifts the completion of Lawrence Hall, the dwelling-house of the students. This enlarges our capacity, so that now thirty-nine men can be accommodated; and it also completes our buildings, according to the scheme laid out at the beginning, thirteen years ago. It has rarely, if ever, been the case that a church institution has been able so speedily to erect a uniform series of buildings, or one so harmoniously attractive. The faith in which the Board of Trustees made their plans has been signally rewarded, and their confidence in the generosity of their fellow-churchmen has been vindicated. The structures, as now finished, have cost \$250,000, the entire amount having been given, without any outlay of the funds of the School. Being thus fully equipped for work, we hope and pray that God may add his blessing and enable us to train faithful men for the ministry of his Son, our Lord and Saviour.

Thanking you for your many kindnesses,

Yours faithfully,

CAMBRIDGE, May, 1881.

GEO. Z. GRAY.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have the honor to report that since the date of my last annual report, I have baptized thirteen (13) persons, presented twenty-one (21) for confirmation (confirmed by Rt. Rev. F. M. Whittle, D.D., Bishop of Virginia), married one (1) couple, and officiated at four (4) funerals.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

OSGOOD E. HERRICK,

Post Chaplain U. S. Army.

FORTRESS MONROE, VA., May, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have remained in Bermuda since the date of my last annual report. For a period of eight months, during which the rector, Rev. J. L. Lough, vicar-general, and commissary of the Bishop of Newfoundland and Bermuda, was absent from the island, I held the acting rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Paget, and St. Mary's Church, Warwick. As such acting rector I officiated every Sunday in each of these two parishes, celebrating the Holy Communion every second Sunday, and keeping up the Wednesday and Friday services. The baptisms numbered fifty-one, funerals forty-six, marriages seven, all of which are duly recorded in the proper parish registers.

Since this engagement terminated (Feb. 19) I have assisted the brethren in their frequent Lenten and other services. As each clergyman in Ber-

muda has the cure of two parishes, I have seldom had an idle Sunday. Within a month I hope to return to the United States.

SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH.

HAMILTON, BERMUDA, May 4, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Baptisms, 3; marriage, 1; burials, 8. I have officiated in other ways as I best could with the strength and opportunities given me.

NICHOLAS HOPPIN.

CAMBRIDGE, May, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and dear Sir, — I respectfully report my official ministrations for the past Convention year, as follows: —

I have read service one hundred and twenty-two times, preached or lectured one hundred and eight times, administered the Holy Communion twenty times. I have baptized nine infants, officiated at three funerals, and solemnized one marriage (with the sanction of my successor) in my former parish.

During this period I have continued to reside in Cambridge, although, for the past five or six months, the above services have been performed almost all in the Diocese of Albany, in which I have now accepted a ministerial charge. With this report, I therefore terminate my official relations with that of Massachusetts.

Very respectfully,

WM. CHAUNCY LANGDON.

May, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D. :

Again I have to report almost no ministerial work for the year, — nothing except an occasional service in church, or house, or graveyard.

My health has so far gained, that after the heat of summer I hope to be fully able to engage in parish work.

W. F. LHOYD.

OXFORD, May 17, 1881.

The Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D. :

My dear Bishop, — In accordance with the requirement of canon, I report to you concerning myself, in view of the approaching Diocesan Convention, that since leaving Pittsfield I have been resting quietly at my father's house, feeling compelled to decline all invitations to officiate in church. I have judged this the only safe course for me to pursue, looking to an early recovery of bodily health. I can see a marked improvement, and am confident that I shall regain physical vigor and the ability to resume my work.

Very faithfully yours,

W. McGLATHERY.

NORRISTOWN, PA., May 12, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the past conventional year I have officiated at divers times in the Dioceses of Massachusetts, Maine, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, and Northern New Jersey.

HENRY A. METCALF.

MELROSE, June 11, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

I beg to report that from wholly domestic reasons my residence has continued as usual at Worcester.

I have officiated in various churches of the Diocese, and have had charge a portion of the year, as formerly, of St. Matthew's Church, in this city, performing all the duties thereof.

GEORGE S. PAINE.

WORCESTER, May 18, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

"Every clergyman not regularly settled in any parish or church shall also report the occasional services he may have performed." As the canon requires, Officiated: Prayers, 25; Sermons, 24; Eucharist, 8; Address Sunday school, 2; Baptisms, 4; Burial, 1.

EDMUND B. PALMER.

BOSTON, 5 ALPINE STREET.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Two baptisms and three marriages (recorded appropriately), together with some services and sermons in neighboring parishes, I have the honor to report for the past year.

[The number of the services, probably, is unimportant, — the nature of them something like the following: On Palm Sunday officiated by reading the epistle for the day; on Easter Sunday, following, officiated in the services, celebrating the Holy Communion twice, and preaching twice, in as many places.]

S. R. SLACK.

WAKEFIELD, May 18, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D. :

Dear Sir, — During the past year I have been employed in teaching, and have performed no clerical duties worthy of mention.

Very affectionately yours,

CARLOS SLAFTER.

DEDHAM, May 20, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D. :

I have assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion at Trinity Church in this city, during the past as in former years.

EDMUND F. SLAFTER.

BOSTON, May 18, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D. D. :

My dear Bishop, — Having charge of no parish, I have no returns to make on the enclosed, and as I may not be able to attend the Convention in due season, I enclose the paper to you by mail.

Affectionately yours,

JOHN S. STONE.

April 14, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. Sir, — During the past year, I have been constantly engaged in ministerial labors in this parish, and also in my school duties in New York City.

EDWARD H. TRUE.

FLUSHING, L. I., May 17, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D. :

I have to report for the past conventional year, that I have been continuously engaged in officiating and preaching in the city of New York and its neighborhood. All other official acts are recorded in the registers of various parishes.

TREADWELL WALDEN.

WHITESTONE, L. I., May, 1881.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

My work has been divided during the year, principally between Sunday lectures and editorial writing. The Sunday lectures have been upon the history of the English or American church, setting forth the principles at stake during great changes of opinion, and upon the present lines of religious movement. Full courses of these lectures have been given in the Church of the Advent, Boston; St. John's Church, Charlestown; All Saints' Church, Worcester; Christ Church, Waltham; St. Paul's Church, Dedham, and single lectures or partial courses have been delivered in Christ Church, Quincy; St. Peter's Church, Cambridge; St. Paul's Church, Natick; Church of the Ascension, New York City, and Christ Church, Biddeford, Maine. They have been very kindly received, and were intended to help forward a better conception of the work which the church has to do in this country. My editorial writing has been largely upon religious subjects, and unexpected and unforeseen opportunities have been given to me to work for the Master in this direction. I have frequently officiated during the year in different parishes when my other engagements would allow me to do so, but have been able to attend to almost nothing in the way of parochial duty.

JULIUS H. WARD,

Presbyter in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

May, 1881.

To the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Since my return from abroad, last summer, I have officiated two hundred and twenty-one times, or about five times a week on the average; many of the services having been those held in the chapel of St. Luke's Home. Besides which, I have given about forty lectures and addresses, chiefly on church topics, and I have done considerable writing for the secular and religious press.

Most faithfully yours,

WM. C. WINSLOW.

Boston, May 17, 1881.

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<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>		\$1,132 50
By Assessment of St. Stephen's Church, Lynn		22 50
" St. Paul's Church, Malden		16 50
" Grace Church, Medford.....		24 00
" Trinity Church, Melrose		12 00
" Grace Church, New Bedford.....		30 00
" St. Paul's, Newburyport (for '79)		18 00
" Grace Church, Newton.....		37 50
" St. Mary's Church, Newton		15 00
" Grace Church, North Attleboro'.....		6 15
" St. John's Church, North Adams.....		12 00
" Christ Church, Quincy		13 00
" Christ Church, Rochdale.....		7 50
" St. Peter's Church, Salem		30 00
" Emmanuel Church, Somerville.....		15 00
" St. Mark's Church, Southboro'.....		12 00
" St. James's Church, South Groveland.....		5 00
" Christ Church, Springfield		30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....		22 50
" Christ Church, Swansea.....		3 00
" St. John's Church, Taunton.....		13 50
" St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....		37 50
" Trinity Church, Vandeusenville.....		4 50
" Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.....		22 50
" Trinity Church, Weymouth.....		5 50
" Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.....		12 00
" All Saints' Church, Worcester		60 00
" Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton.....		12 00
" St. Paul's Church, Newburyport		18 00
" Christ Church, Hyde Park		15 00
" Trinity Church, Bridgewater		70
" Grace Church, Salem.....		24 00
" St. Luke's Church, Chelsea.....		15 00
" St. Paul's Church, Hopkinton.....		5 00
" Christ Church, Waltham.....		19 50
" St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.....		10 00
" St. Thomas's Church, E. Somerville.....		9 00
" St. John's Church, Wilkinsonville.....		6 00
" Ascension Church, Fall River ('79-'80, '80-'81).....		40 00
		<hr/> \$1,796 85
Balance from last year.....		270 65
		<hr/> \$2,067 50

The following parishes have failed during the past year to comply with the canon on the Diocesan Fund :—
Amesbury, St. James's; Ashfield, St. John's; Framingham, St. John's; Lanesborough, St. Luke's; Lee, St. George's; Lenox, Trinity; Milford, Trinity; Millville, St. John's; Natick, St. Paul's; Northampton, St. John's; Pittsfield, St. Stephen's; South Adams, St. Mark's; Westfield, Atonement; Woburn, Trinity; Wrentham, Trinity.

with CHARLES H. LEAROYD, *Treas.*

DR.

1880.				
May	1,	Paid bill of Rev. J. H. Waterbury.....	\$3 00	
"	6,	" " Milla, Knight & Co.....	2 25	
"	14,	" " Rev. William H. Brooks, D. D.....	5 00	
"	17,	" " Secretary	315 75	
"	17,	" " Rand, Avery & Co.....	8 00	
"	17,	" " " " "	5 00	
June	2,	" " Rev. H. Burroughs, D. D.....	5 00	
"	7,	" " Miss Elton.....	3 00	
"	28	" on account of Appropriation to Episcopal Church Assoc..	200 00	
Aug.	9,	" bill of A. Williams & Co.	35 00	
"	17,	" " Sexton of Trinity Church	20 00	
Oct.	8,	" " Rand, Avery & Co	561 90	
1881.				
Jan.	11,	" " Rand, Avery & Co.	2 50	
"	11,	" " " " "	15 00	
"	11,	" " " " "	5 50	
"	11,	" " Rev. Joseph Jenks	34 28	
April	1,	" " Treasurer	100 00	
"	1,	" " Postage, stationery, and printing	13 29	
"	23,	" assessment to General Convention	456 00	
May	11,	" bill of Rand, Avery & Co.	38 00	
"	11,	" " Bishop Paddock	32 35	
				\$1,860 82
Balance on hand				206 68
				\$2,067 50

ANNUAL REPORT OF JOSEPH W. CLARK,

TREASURER OF THE EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND, BOSTON, APRIL 27, 1880,
TO MAY 17, 1881.

1880.			
April	27.	Balance brought forward.....	\$664 94
"	29.	St. Paul's, Nantucket.....	1 00
May	1.	Annual convention.....	80 28
"	4.	Trinity Church, Boston.....	12 00
"	5.	Free Church of St. James, North Cambridge.....	13 66
June	18.	Trinity Church, Haverhill.....	5 00
"	18.	Estate of Rev. Dr. Horton.....	4,897 30
July	1.	Interest on United States 4 per cent bonds.....	9 00
"	1.	" United States 6 per cent bonds.....	15 00
"	1.	" Republican Valley bonds.....	18 00
"	1.	" Burlington and Missouri in Nebraska bonds.....	36 00
"	1.	" New England Trust Company balance.....	7 28
Oct.	6.	" Burlington and Missouri Land Grant bonds.....	70 00
"	11.	" United States 4 per cent bonds.....	9 00
"	11.	St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....	34 00
Nov.	11.	St. Paul's Church, Nantucket.....	2 00
"	13.	Christ Church, Cambridge.....	8 71
"	26.	Stephen G. Deblois.....	1 00
Dec.	6.	Emmanuel Church, Boston.....	251 73
"	10.	St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....	20 00
"	28.	St. Paul's Church, Brookline.....	110 30
"	28.	St. Paul's Church, Boston.....	95 56
"	28.	St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....	33 92
"	29.	Grace Church, Amherst.....	17 15
1881.			
Jan.	1.	Interest on United States 4 per cent bonds \$9, 6 per cent \$15.....	24 00
"	1.	Grace Church, Newton.....	10 00
"	3.	St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.....	10 50
"	3.	St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.....	40 93
"	3.	Interest on Republican Valley bonds.....	18 00
"	3.	" Burlington and Missouri in Nebraska bonds.....	36 00
"	5.	Grace Church, Amherst.....	1 00
"	6.	Christ Church, Andover.....	13 78
"	6.	Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.....	50 00
"	18.	Christ Church, Quincy.....	14 90
Feb.	1.	Church of Our Saviour, Longwood.....	85 97
March	1.	Interest on Northern Pacific Railroad bonds.....	120 00
"	4.	" New England Trust Company, balance.....	56 24
April	5.	" United States 4 per cent bonds.....	9 00
"	5.	" Burlington and Missouri Land Grant bonds.....	70 00
May	3.	St. John's Church, Millville.....	5 00
"	5.	Church of the Messiah, Boston.....	41 00
			<hr/>
			\$7,019 85
RECEIPTS.			
Recapitulation.			
1881.			
May	17.	Legacy from Horton estate.....	\$4,897 30
		Donations from churches.....	959 39
		Interest on investments.....	498 22
			<hr/>
			\$6,354 91
Balance from last year.....			664 94
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			\$7,019 85
PAYMENTS.			
Investments.....			\$5,047 75
Beneficiaries.....			1,429 09
Balance to next year.....			543 01
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			\$7,019 85
INVESTMENTS.			
Burlington and Missouri Railroad bonds.....			\$3,200 00
United States 6 per cent bond, '81.....			500 00
United States 4 per cent bond, registered.....			900 00
Republican Valley Railroad 6 per cent bond.....			600 00
Northern Pacific 6 per cent bonds.....			5,000 00
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			\$10,200 00
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SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR 1880-81.

RECEIPTS.

	No. of Offerings.	Amount.
From Amherst, Grace.....	2	\$25 00
Andover, Christ.....	2	38 68
Arlington, St. John's.....	1	7 00
Ashfield, St. John's.....	2	19 80
Beverly, St. Peter's.....	1	6 00
Boston, Advent.....	2	60 00
" All Saints'.....	2	21 32
" Christ.....	2	40 00
" Emmanuel.....	3	1,000 00
" Evangelists'.....	1	15 00
" Grace.....	1	19 75
" Good Shepherd.....	1	100 00
" Messiah.....	2	20 13
" St. Anne's.....	2	13 00
" St. James's.....	2	95 70
" St. John's (Highlands).....	1	40 00
" St. John's (East Boston).....	1	20 00
" St. John's (Jamaica Plain).....	2	63 45
" St. Margaret's.....	1	20 00
" St. Mary's (Dorchester).....	2	36 64
" St. Mary for Sailors.....	1	12 55
" St. Matthew's.....	1	21 20
" St. Paul's.....	2	1,091 60
" Trinity.....	3	1,405 05
Bridgewater, Trinity.....	3	27 93
Brockton, St. Paul's Mission.....	1	11 89
Brookline, St. Paul's.....	2	305 30
Cambridge, Ascension Mission.....	2	20 00
" Christ.....	2	100 05
" St. James's.....	2	19 54
" St. John's Memorial.....	1	68 00
" St. Peter's.....	1	25 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's.....	2	8 00
Chelsea, St. Luke's.....	1	8 08
" Sunday school.....	1	7 00
Clinton, Good Shepherd.....	3	50 26
Danvers, Calvary.....	2	10 00
Dedham, Good Shepherd.....	1	16 57
" St. Paul's.....	2	107 39
Easthampton, St. Philip's Sunday school.....	1	3 00
Fall River, Ascension.....	2	29 64
" Flint Village Mission.....	1	3 50
" St. John's Chapel.....	2	30 50
Fiskdale, Grace.....	1	10 00
Fitchburg, Christ.....	2	63 00
Framingham, St. John's.....	2	30 00
Gloucester, St. John's.....	1	14 00
Great Barrington, St. James's.....	2	26 05
Greenfield, St. James's.....	3	25 00
Hanover, St. Andrew's.....	1	27 49
Haverhill, St. John's Evangelist.....	1	2 00
" Trinity.....	2	30 00
Hingham, Mission.....	1	9 04
Holyoke, St. Paul's.....	3	30 00
Hyde Park, Christ.....	1	6 00
Lawrence, Grace.....	2	73 18
" St. John's.....	2	50 00
Lee, St. George's.....	1	21 33
Lenox, Trinity.....	1	62 00
Longwood, Our Saviour.....	2	108 80
Lowell, St. Anne's.....	4	110 92
" St. John's.....	2	31 00
Amount carried forward.....		\$5,773 33

	No. of Offerings.	Amount.
<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$5,773 33
From Lynn, St. Stephen's	2	101 35
Malden, St. Paul's	3	50 00
Marblehead, St. Michael's	2	34 00
Medford, Grace	2	50 54
Millbury, Mission	1	3 00
Millford, Trinity	1	5 00
Millville, St. John's	2	15 00
Nantucket, St. Paul's	2	30 50
New Bedford, Grace	1	32 77
Newburyport, St. Paul's	2	100 00
Newton, Grace	2	81 51
" Messiah	2	16 38
" St. Mary's	2	13 89
North Adams, St. John's	1	11 25
Northampton, St. John's	1	16 23
Oxford, Grace	1	5 00
Peabody, St. Paul's Mission	1	5 00
Plymouth, Christ	1	5 06
Quincy, Christ	2	32 34
Rochdale, Christ	1	10 00
Salem, Grace	2	60 00
" St. Peter's	2	100 00
Somerville, Emmanuel	1	15 00
" St. Thomas's	1	20 00
Southboro', St. Mark's	3	53 70
South Groveland, St. James's	1	2 00
Springfield, Christ	1	36 44
Stockbridge, St. Paul's	2	92 37
Swansea, Christ	1	10 15
Taunton, St. John's	3	28 92
" St. Thomas's	2	200 00
Van Deusenville, Trinity	2	35 00
Wakefield, Good Shepherd	1	15 00
Waltham, Christ	2	53 00
Webster, Reconciliation	2	234 48
Weymouth, Trinity	2	16 75
Wilkinsonville, St. John's	3	22 00
" Sunday school	1	2 00
Woburn, Trinity	1	5 00
Wood's Holl, Messiah	2	40 00
Worcester, All Saints'	3	106 09
Wrentham, Trinity	3	15 00
Individual gifts		\$7,503 05
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society		1,003 00
Balance from Account of previous year		35 60
Interest Account		927 11
		75 00
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		\$9,543 76

PAYMENTS.

To Arlington, St. John's, 9 months.....	\$74 99	
Ashfield, St. John's.....	300 00	
Bridgewater, Trinity.....	350 00	
Brighton, St. Margaret's.....	200 00	
Brockton, St. Paul's Mission, 4½ months.....	187 50	
Cambridge, Ascension Mission.....	249 98	
Chelmsford, St. Anne's.....	200 00	
Cherry Valley, Mission, 2½ months.....	57 20	
Clinton, Good Shepherd.....	400 00	
Danvers, Calvary.....	200 00	
Dorchester, All Saints'.....	200 00	
Easthampton, St. Phillip's, 6 months.....	100 00	
Fall River, Mission.....	300 00	
Franklin, Mission, 3½ months.....	58 31	
Gloucester, St. John's.....	300 00	
Lee, St. George's, 3 months.....	68 77	
Millford, Trinity, 4 months.....	66 06	
Millbury, Mission.....	200 00	
Millville, St. John's.....	250 00	
Nantucket, St. Paul's.....	400 00	
Natick, St. Paul's, 9 months.....	209 99	
Oxford, Grace, 7 months.....	87 50	
Peabody, St. Paul's Mission.....	250 00	
Plymouth, Christ.....	300 00	
Rochdale, Christ.....	300 00	
Sheffield, Christ.....	275 00	
Van Deusenville, Trinity.....	100 00	
Wakefield, Good Shepherd Mission.....	200 00	
Westfield, Atonement.....	400 00	
Westfield, special toward Building Fund.....	5 00	
Wilkinsonville, St. John's.....	200 00	
Woburn, Trinity.....	200 00	
Wrentham, Trinity, 9 months.....	187 50	
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Publication and Distribution of "The Diocese".....	\$6,968 49	
Expense of the semi-annual missionary meeting.....	435 53	
Treasurer's Expense Account.....	5 50	
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Balance.....	\$7,464 52	
	2,079 24	
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		\$9,543 76

J. S. BLATCHFORD, *Treasurer.*

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS
TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

*To the Ninety-first Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese
of Massachusetts, held at Boston, May 18, 1881.*

The amount of the Bishop's Fund, April 28, 1880, the date of		
the last report was	\$89,740 23
Amount added to the fund since that date	482 02
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Present amount of the fund	\$90,222 25

Of this amount, the sum of \$26,525 consists of parish notes.
The Bishop's salary has been paid in full for the year ending May 1, 1881.

Most respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, May 18, 1881.

**SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF
DECEASED CLERGYMEN OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL
CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.**

INVENTORY OF THE ANNUITY FUND, APRIL 2, 1881.

<i>Investment.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Policy No. 4,245, Massachusetts Hospital Life Ins. Co.....	\$8,793 91	\$8,793 91
" No. 3,848, " " " "	15,222 74	15,222 74
3,000 United States registered 6% bonds, 1881, Nos. 15,909-15,911..	3,000 00	3,060 00
500 " " " " No. 3,739.....	500 00	510 00
500 " coupon 6% bond, 1881, No. 39,809.....	500 00	510 00
3,000 Chicago 7% bonds (water), Nos. 1,920, 1,657.....	3,000 00	3,600 00
3,000 " " (sewer), Nos. 1,306, 1,336, 78 B.....	3,000 00	3,600 00
5,000 Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis, 7%, Nos. 1,127-1,131	5,000 00	6,000 00
2,000 Newport, Ky., 7 3-10 bonds, Nos. 74, 75.....	2,000 00	2,200 00
1,000 Boston 5% bond, No. 5,186.....	1,000 00	1,050 00
3,000 Massachusetts 5% bonds, registered, Nos. 350, 364, 417	3,000 00	3,500 00
1,000 Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago 6%, No. 197, 5 shares Great Falls Manufacturing Co.....	1,000 00	1,040 00
26 " Atlantic Cotton Mills	500 00	550 00
15 " Lyman Mills	2,600 00	4,300 00
22 " State National Bank.....	1,500 00	1,800 00
Note and mortgage of Stimson	2,200 00	2,800 00
	750 00	750 00
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	\$53,566 65	\$59,286 65

INVENTORY OF THE CHARITY FUND, APRIL 2, 1881.

<i>Investment.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Policy, No. 385, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Co.....	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00
7,000 Eastern R. R. 4½% bonds, Nos. 8,705-8,711.....	7,000 00	7,300 00
4,000 New Bedford R. R. 7% bonds, Nos. 182-185.....	4,000 00	4,400 00
5,000 Burlington and Missouri R. R. 6% bonds, n. ex., Nos. 7,015, 7,016, 7,164, 7,165, 6,889.....	5,000 00	5,250 00
20 shares Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago R. R....	2,000 00	1,940 00
4 " Massachusetts National Bank	1,000 00	1,190 00
7 " Washington " "	700 00	950 00
14 " Boston " "	1,400 00	1,700 00
20 " Traders' " "	2,000 00	2,080 00
20 " Webster " "	2,000 00	2,300 00
18 " Second " "	1,800 00	2,700 00
20 " National Bank of North America.....	2,000 00	2,200 00
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	\$33,900 00	\$37,010 00

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HOWARD STOCKTON, *Treasurer, in account with the Society*

1880.		Charity.	Annuity.
April 5,	To balance from former account.....	\$105 09	\$812 41
" 14,	To contribution from Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.	35 00	
" 27,	To contribution from Church of the Messiah, Boston.....	11 65	
June 18,	To legacy from Rev. William Horton, D. D.....	4,897 30	
Nov. 11,	To contribution from St. Paul's Church, Nantucket.....	2 00	
Dec. 1,	To contribution from All Saints' Church, Worcester.....	16 00	
1881.			
Jan. 1,	To received from Grace Church, Newton, for annuity for Rev. G. Walker.....		5 00
" 3,	To contribution from Trinity Church, Weymouth	4 75	
" 6,	To contribution from Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl .	50 00	
" 7,	To received for \$1,000 U. S. registered bond (called in)		1,000 00
" 8,	To contribution from Grace Church, Lawrence	48 62	
" 8,	To contribution from Rev. William Lawrence.....	50 00	
Feb. 10,	To received from Mrs. J. D. Reid.....	15 00	
" 28,	To contribution from Church of Our Saviour, Longwood...	51 11	
April 2,	To received payments for annuities for the year ending April 2, 1881		380 00
" 2,	To received payments for membership for the year ending April 2, 1881	45 00	
" 2,	To received dividends and interest for the year ending April 2, 1881,.....	1,832 72	2,756 22
		\$7,164 24	\$4,953 63

for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, etc.

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1880.		Charity.	Annuity.
May 5,	By paid for 1,000 Bond, No. 197, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago Railroad.....		\$900 00
" 5,	By paid for 20 shares Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago Railroad.....	\$100 00	
" 5,	By paid rent for Safe Deposit Vault.....		20 00
Nov. 13,	By paid for 5,000 Bonds of the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad 6% non-exempt.....	5,308 17	
1881.			
Jan. 1,	By addition to policy 3,848, Mass. Hosp. Life Ins. Co.....		585 49
" 1,	By addition to policy 4,245, Mass. Hosp. Life Ins. Co.....		338 23
" 11,	By paid for \$2,000 Massachusetts 5% bonds registered.....		2,358 60
April 2,	By annuities paid during the year ending April 2, 1881.....		350 00
" 2,	By payments for the relief of widows and orphans.....	1,500 00	
" 2,	By paid for printing.....	2 50	1 75
" 2,	By balance, cash on hand	253 57	399 56
		\$7,164 24	\$4,958 63

The undersigned have examined the foregoing account, and find it to be correctly cast, and properly vouched for.

We have also seen the evidences of property on hand belonging to the society, amounting in all to the par value of \$87,466.65, and to the market value of \$96,296.65 as estimated to-day.

F. C. FOSTER,
JOS. S. FAY,
Auditing Committee.

Boston, May 18, 1881.

APPENDIX C.

A Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A. M.

At the hour appointed for the opening of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows:—

I. 1. The Lord's Prayer, and the "Prayer to be used at the Meetings of Conventions."

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats in the Convention. He shall then call the names of Parishes, and receive certificates, as by Sect. 4, Canon 2, Title I.

3. The President shall appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to whom the list of the Clergy and the Credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred.

II. Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

III. 1. Immediately after Divine Service, the Committee on Qualifications shall report. The Convention shall act at once, and without debate, upon all undisputed names and credentials. All questions of membership raised by the Committee or by the Convention shall be laid aside temporarily.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees: viz., a Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, to consist of three Clergymen and three Laymen; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to consist of five members, three Clergymen and two Laymen; an Executive Committee,—for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this Body, and for recommending the time and place for holding the next Convention,—to consist of three members, two Clergymen and one Layman; a Committee on Unfinished Business; and a Committee on Finance, to consist each of three members, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

8. A recess shall be ordered.

P. M.

IV. Report of the Committee on Qualifications, on Certificates and Documents, laid aside. The Convention shall take immediate action. Subsequent Reports of the Committee on Qualifications shall be in order at any time.

V. 1. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he shall prefer another time for its delivery.

2. Reference of matters therein contained, if so ordered, to Committees.

3. Presentation of subjects by resolutions, to be referred without debate to Standing or Special Committees.

VI. Reports and actions upon them, in the following order :—

1. Parochial Reports to be received by the Bishop.

2. Report from the Committee on New Parishes, the Admission of the Parishes, and the Reception of their Lay Delegates.

3. Report from the Standing Committee.

4. Report from the Diocesan Board of Missions.

5. Reports from the Convocations.

6. Reports from Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

7. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.

8. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

9. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

10. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.

11. Report from Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches, etc.

12. Report from the Trustees of Donations.

13. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.

14. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

15. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

16. Reports from any other Church or Charitable Societies recognized by the Convention.

17. Reports from any of the Standing Committees of the Convention, in their order, as in III. 6. If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed; and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.

VII. Miscellaneous business.

VIII. Adjournment to the second day.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

IX. 1. Morning Prayer at 9 A. M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the first day, and action upon them.

3. The calling of the roll.

X. 1. The finishing of the business which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

2. The disposal of unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

XI. 1. The Standing Committees shall be called in their order; reports may be received from any of them, and action may be taken thereon.

2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the session, and action thereon.

XII. Miscellaneous business.

XIII. Elections, to be proceeded with at 11 o'clock A. M., in the following order:—

1. Of Treasurer of the Convention.

2. Of Registrar.

3. Of Deputies to the General Convention.

4. Of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

5. Selection of persons to be nominated to the General Convention, or to the Board of Trustees, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

6. Election of Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

7. Of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

8. Of Committee on entertaining the Clerical Members of the Convention.

XIV. Miscellaneous business.

XV. Adjournment to the third day, if the Convention be prolonged.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

XVI. 1. Morning Prayer, reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.

2. The disposal of the unfinished business of the Convention, in the order above prescribed.

XVII. When the Convention shall be prepared to adjourn without day, there shall be reading of the Minutes not already approved, and action thereon; then, after Prayers and Benediction by the President, the Convention shall stand so adjourned, without day.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention, nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Convention; and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order — 1, To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action allowed by Rule V. shall have been taken; but, with the consent of the Convention, the mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken, or it has been put upon its passage, in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the Tellers or Committee appointed to count the ballots withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention, on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of Business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

GUIDE IN ORGANIZING NEW PARISHES.

A resolution of Convention (Journal of 1871, pp. 45, 46, and 196) recommends, as a guide to new Parishes in organizing, the form of Constitution and By-Laws hereto appended. An important requirement of the Constitution of the Diocese is, however, first to be noted; viz.:

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Articles of Association, or other satisfactory evidence of its organization (or, if specially incorporated, of its Charter), and of its Constitution and By-Laws; in which it must be declared that such Parish accedes to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship, the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and such parish shall lay before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens and Vestry, that it has been duly organized as such for the space of one year, and during that time has held regular public services.

SECT. 2. Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter, and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese, at least one month before the Annual Session of the Convention, and be approved by them respectively; or, if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention the reasons in writing of such disapproval. The whole subject, with all the documents, shall be referred to a special committee of three Clerical, and three Lay Members of the Convention, to report thereon.

The Resolution, and the recommended Form of Constitution and By-Laws, here follow:—

Resolved, That, in order to secure as much uniformity as local circumstances will permit, and also to place the management of Parish affairs on a wise and just basis, the following Form of Constitution and By-Laws is recommended:—

CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, The undersigned have associated themselves together for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God, according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, and have for that purpose formed a Parish at..... in..... they therefore declare the following to be the objects, conditions, and articles of their said association, viz.:—

First, The name of this Parish shall be “The Rector, Church-Wardens, and Vestrymen of.....;” or, “The Parish of.....”

Second, This Parish acknowledges itself to be a member of and to belong to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in the Diocese of Massachusetts. As such, it accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of said Church, and acknowledges the authority of the same accordingly.

Third, Any male person of the age of twenty-one years, who has subscribed to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish, and who has aided in maintaining public worship therein for a period of twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, either by regular attendance thereon, or by pecuniary aid in hiring a sitting, or otherwise, shall be considered a member of the Parish, and entitled to vote in all its affairs while he continues such member; but no member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be eligible to any office or function in this Parish, or be entitled to vote in its affairs.

Fourth, The Rector of this Parish shall be elected by the members thereof, unless the By-Laws otherwise provide; but no person shall be eligible to that office unless he shall have had Episcopal ordination, and unless he be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, and recognized as such by the Bishop of this Diocese, or, in case of a vacancy, by the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Fifth, All the property of this Parish shall be taken and held subject to the control and disposition of the Vestry of the same, but shall not be sold or conveyed without the vote of the Parish; but the rents, revenues, and incomes of the same shall be applied from time to time to the support of the Rector or Minister thereof, and for the erection and repairs of the church, churchyard, parsonage, and other buildings belonging to the same, and other necessary Parish charges, and to no other use or purpose whatever.

Sixth, This Constitution may be amended as follows: Any proposed amendment shall be submitted to a meeting of the Vestry, and upon its recommendation shall be submitted to a meeting of the Parish, and, if approved by the same, shall be submitted to the next Diocesan Convention, and upon its approval shall be deemed and taken to be a part of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter Week, in the church, chapel, place of worship, or such place as the Wardens may appoint, at which meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, any business may be transacted without any previous notice thereof. Notice of this meeting shall be posted seven days prior thereto on the church door, and given from the chancel on the Sunday previous by the clergyman officiating. All meetings shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 2. Special meetings shall be called by the Wardens, or, in case of vacancy, by three members of the Vestry, whenever they deem it advisable, or whenever so requested in writing, either by the Rector or any five members of the Parish; but at special meetings no business shall be transacted unless specified in the notice calling the same. Such meetings shall be notified by the Clerk, by mailing or delivering to each member of the Parish a written or printed notice of the time, place, and purposes of the meeting, four days at least before the same is held.

SECT. 3. At all meetings of the Parish, the Rector, if present, or in his absence one of the Wardens, shall preside; in their absence, a temporary presiding officer shall be chosen by the members present.

SECT. 4. At a meeting of the Parish, five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but any less number may adjourn such meeting.

SECT. 5. At the annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, there shall be chosen two Wardens (who shall also act as Assessors), a Treasurer and Collector, a Clerk, and such number of Vestrymen, not exceeding, as may be determined by the members present, all of whom shall constitute the Vestry, such election to be in all cases by ballot; and the person having the highest number of ballots shall be elected, the officers so elected to serve until the next annual meeting, and until others are elected *and qualified* in their stead. Any vacancies may be filled by the Vestry. All such officers, except the Vestry, shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties, the fact of taking the oath being recorded by the Clerk. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall be chosen at the annual meeting by ballot, or as the members present may determine.

SECT. 6. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall have the management and oversight of all the temporal affairs of the Parish, and shall, in connection with the Rector, make necessary preparations for public worship and for the music at the same. They shall meet as often as once in every three months, and whenever requested by the Rector or either Warden. At each meeting the record of the previous meeting shall be read and approved, or amended. The Rector shall be notified of the meetings of the Vestry, and, if present, shall preside, and be entitled, in common with each member of the Vestry, to one vote.

SECT. 7. The Clerk shall keep a true record of all the proceedings of the Parish, and also of doings of the Wardens and Vestry, in suitable books for that purpose; and shall also record all deeds or transfers of pews, for which latter duty he shall be entitled to the sum of fifty cents for each deed. At any Parish meeting any member may call for the reading of the records of the Vestry meeting for the preceding year.

SECT. 8. The Treasurer shall keep a true account of all moneys received and paid out by him, and present a full account thereof and of the financial condition of the Parish at each annual meeting; and such account shall be audited and approved by the Wardens and Vestrymen, or a committee thereof. He shall pay no sum exceeding ten dollars, except for regular fixed salaries, without the approval of at least one Warden or two Vestrymen, or the previous direction of the Parish or Vestry. He shall give bonds, whenever required by the Wardens or Vestry, for the faithful performance of his duties.

SECT. 9. All pews shall be liable to assessment for the support of the Rector and the maintenance of public worship, the repairs of the church, and all other necessary Parish charges, as the Parish may determine, according to the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 10. These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed, at any regular meeting of the Parish, by a majority of the legal members present; *provided* notice thereof is set forth in the notice calling the meeting.

FORMS OF APPLICATIONS TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS SEEKING THE SACRED MINISTRY.

I. — CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

The Postulant for admission to Candidateship may at any time, after application to the Bishop duly made, apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a candidate. He should present an application in the following form: —

(1) The undersigned respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a Candidate, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If the Testimonials are signed by others than a Rector and Vestry, let him here state the reasons.

(2) TESTIMONIALS.

We whose names are hereunder written testify, from our personal knowledge and belief, that A. B. is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is a Communicant of the said Church in good standing; and do furthermore declare, that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry.

Here follow the signatures of the Rector, and a majority of the Vestry of the Parish or Congregation to which the Postulant belongs.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonials were signed by the Rector and a majority of the Vestry of.....Church in....., said Vestry being duly convened, on the.....day of.....188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But these Testimonials may be signed, in circumstances justifying such alternative, by at least one Presbyter and four respectable Laymen, Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The Standing Committee shall be sole judge of the propriety of receiving Testimonials signed by others than a Rector and Vestry.

If a person not having had Episcopal ordination, but acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate in any other denomination of Christians, desires to become a Candidate, he first applies to the Bishop, as directed in Canon 2, § vii. of Title I. of the Digest, and, when the Bishop authorizes further procedure, he should present to the Standing Committee the *Application* and *Testimonials* above given, and with them the two following certificates:—

(1) A Testimonial from at least twelve members of the denomination from which he comes, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons,—in part of the denomination from which he comes, and in part of this Church,—satisfactory to the Committee, certifying that the Postulant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and

(2) A Testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they believe the Postulant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

II. — FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

(1) The undersigned, a Candidate for Holy Orders, respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission to the Sacred Order of Deacons, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If the Testimonials are signed by others than the Minister and Vestry of the Parish of which he is a member, let him here state the reasons.

(2) We whose names are hereunder written do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Here follow the signatures of the Minister and Vestry of the Parish or Congregation of which the Candidate is a member, or of the Vestry alone, if the Parish be vacant.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed by the Minister and Vestry ofChurch, in.....at a meeting duly convened and held on theday of.....188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But if there be no organized Parish or Congregation where the Candidate has resided, or if, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, he shall be unable to procure Testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept Testimonials of the purport above stated from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and in that case it is recommended that the residences of the signers should be given, and that, unless they are personally known to the Standing Committee, their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a Testimonial, signed by at least one respectable Presbyterian of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following words:—

(3) I [or we] do certify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I [or we] know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and moreover, I [or we] think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. This Testimonial is founded on my [or our] personal knowledge of the said A. B. for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me [or us]. In witness whereof, I [or we] have hereunto set my [or our] hand [or hands], this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

In the case of a Candidate who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate by some other denomination of Christians, the Testimonials are required to cover only the time since his admission to Candidateship.

A Candidate for the Office and Ministration of a Deacon only shall not be ordained within one year from his admission, unless the Bishop, *with the consent of the Standing Committee*, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, in no case to be less than six months.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be ordained to the Diaconate within three years from his admission, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, *with the consent of three fourths of the Standing Committee*, shall admit him to the Diaconate while yet prosecuting his course of theological studies; in which case he may be ordained at any time after the expiration of one year from his admission.

III.—FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

(1) The undersigned respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission to Priest's Orders, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If signed by others than the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, let him here state the reasons.

(2) We whose names are hereunder written do testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Here follow the signatures of the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where the applicant resides.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed by the Minister and Vestry of....
.....Church, in....., said Vestry being duly convened, on the.....
.....day of....., 188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But if the Parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the Parish, the above Testimonial is to be signed by the Vestry alone.

And in case peculiar circumstances not affecting his moral character, or the want of a Vestry where he is residing or ministering, should hinder the procurement of Testimonials as above, the Standing Committee may accept Testimonials, of the same tenor, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church. It is best, that, in this case also, their Rectors should

certify to the fact of their being Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a Testimonial, signed by at least one Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form:—

(3) I do certify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, has lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. This Testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A. B. for one year last past, and, for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Candidates for the Priesthood, ordained Deacons under Sect. V. or Sect. VI. of Canon 6, shall not be required to have Testimonials covering more time than has elapsed since their admission to Candidateship.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders, ordained Deacon within three years preceding the time of his application for recommendation for ordination to the Priesthood, shall only be required to have Testimonials extending back to the time of his ordination, *provided* nothing shall have in the mean while occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the Candidate was ordained a Deacon.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been a Candidate for the Ministry of any other denomination of Christians, may be allowed, as part of the duration of his Candidateship, by the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, the period during which he may have been a Student of Theology or Candidate in such other denomination: *provided* that the time so allowed shall not exceed two years.

A Candidate for Priesthood shall not be ordained within three years from his admission, nor, in any case, within one year from his reception of Deacon's Orders, except by the *advice and consent of three fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, at a meeting duly convened.*

NOTICE.—The Standing Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month except August.

Candidates desiring to be recommended to the Bishop for Orders, and persons seeking to be admitted Candidates, will please send their papers to the Rev. George S. Converse, 98 Cedar Street, Boston Highlands.

All applications lie over one month, and are published in one of the church papers.

Those who expect to be ordained should prepare their papers two months before the time for their ordination.

APPENDIX D.

I.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN

IN THE

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS,

May, 1881.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D. D., Bishop.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, Rector of St. James's, North Cambridge.

The Rev. WILLIAM J. ALGER, in charge of St. Paul's, Milford.

The Rev. ALEXANDER VIKTS GRISWOLD ALLEN, D. D., Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, and Chaplain at Insane Asylum, Somerville.

The Rev. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN, Assistant at Trinity Church, Boston.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston.

The Rev. AUGUSTINE HEARD AMORY, Deacon, Assistant at Grace Church, Lawrence, and Missionary at North Andover.

The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN ANDERSON, Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington, and of Trinity Church, Van Deusenville.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's, Salem.

The Rev. DAVID JACOB AYERS, Deacon, Assistant at the Church of Our Saviour, Longwood.

The Rev. WILLIAM ROBINSON BABCOCK, D. D., Narragansett Pier, R. I.

The Rev. ARTHUR MANN BACKUS, Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham.

The Rev. SAMUEL REED BAILEY, Livermore, Me.

The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, Rector of St. Mark's, Boston.

The Rev. ARTHUR HENRY BARRINGTON, in charge of St. John's, Fall River.

The Rev. WILLIAM STOODLEY BARTLET, Registrar of the Diocese, Chelsea.

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, Rector of All Saints', Dorchester, Boston.

The Rev. FRANK HAGAR BIGELOW, Deacon, Rector of St. Paul's, Natick.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Somerville.

The Rev. LEVI BOYER, Rector of St. Paul's, Nantucket.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Boston.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D. D., officiating at St. Andrew's, Hanover.

The Rev. ABBOTT BROWN, Secretary of the Mexican League, New York.

The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, Rector of St. Thomas's, Methuen.

The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector of St. James's, Roxbury, Boston.

- The Rev. GEORGE HICKMAN BUCK, City Missionary at Grace Church, South Boston.
- The Rev. FREDERICK BURGESS, Jr., Rector of Grace Church, Amherst.
- The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL, Chelsea, Mass.
- The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Boston, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. ELI HAWLEY CANFIELD, D. D., Arlington, Vt.
- The Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.
- The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, Cambridge.
- The Rev. ALBERT ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D. D., Deacon, in charge of the Church of the Ascension, Fall River.
- The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Oakdale, Dedham.
- The Rev. JOSEPH HART CLINCH, S. T. D., Chaplain of City Institutions, South Boston, and Secretary of Convention.
- The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, Rector of St. John's, Roxbury, Boston.
- The Rev. BENJAMIN F. COOLEY, Northampton.
- The Rev. JAMES IVERS TRECOTHICK COOLIDGE, D. D., Rector of St. Mark's, Southboro', and Head Master of St. Mark's School, Southboro'.
- The Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS, Rector of St. Stephen's, Lynn.
- The Rev. HENRY EVAN COTTON, Hartford, Conn.
- The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, Minister of the House of Prayer, Lowell, and in charge of Emmanuel Church, Chelmsford.
- The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Andover.
- The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, Rector of St. Paul's, Newburyport.
- The Rev. CHARLES W. DUFFIELD, Deacon, Missionary at Ascension Mission, Cambridge.
- The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, Rector of St. Thomas's, East Somerville.
- The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D. D., Rector of St. Anne's, Lowell.
- The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, Rector of St. John's, Wilkinsonville, and Missionary at Milbury.
- The Rev. SAMUEL MOODY EMERY, D. D., Newburyport.
- The Rev. THOMAS FREDERICK FALES, Rector of Christ Church, Waltham, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. H. WARREN FAY, Westboro'.
- The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, Rector of Trinity Church, Lenox.
- The Rev. PETER VOORHIES FINCH, Rector of St. James's, Greenfield.
- The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, Fall River.
- The Rev. HENRY LEWIS FOOTE, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton.
- The Rev. FRANCIS AUGUSTUS FOXCROFT, Cambridge.
- The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, Rector of Grace Church, Salem.
- The Rev. FREDERICK FREEMAN, Sandwich.
- The Rev. WALTER RUSSELL GARDNER, Assistant at the Church of the Advent, Boston.
- The Rev. BENJAMIN ROWLEY GIFFORD, Wood's Holl.
- The Rev. EDWIN WALTER GOULD, in Europe.
- The Rev. CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston.
- The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, Rector of St. Luke's, Chelsea.
- The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D. D., Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
- The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, Rector of St. John's, Ashfield.
- The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, Rector of St. Peter's, Cambridge.
- The Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, Assistant at the Church of the Advent, Boston.
- The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, City Missionary, St. Mary for Sailors, Boston.
- The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HARRIS, Rector of St. Michael's, Marblehead.
- The Rev. DAVID GREENE HASKINS, S. T. D., Cambridge.
- The Rev. JESSE E. HEALD, Rector of St. John's, Millville.
- The Rev. OSGOOD EATON HERRICK, Chaplain U. S. Army, Fortress Monroe, Va.
- The Rev. JOSEPH WARREN HILL, Assistant at the Church of the Advent, Boston.

- The Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH, S. T. D., Hamilton, Bermuda.
 The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HOOPER, Rector of St. John's, Gloucester.
 The Rev. NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D. D., Cambridge.
 The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, Rector of the Church of Our Saviour, Longwood.
 The Rev. HENRY N. HUDSON, Professor in Boston University.
 The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, Rector of St. Paul's, Malden, and Examining Chaplain.
 The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON, D. D., Rector of All Saints', Worcester.
 The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, Rector of Grace Church, Medford, and of St. John's, Arlington.
 The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, Rector of Trinity Church, Bridgewater, and Chaplain of the Penitentiary.
 The Rev. ALBIN BARLOW JENNINGS, Easton, Conn.
 The Rev. D'ESTAING JENNINGS, Rector of Grace Church, Fiskdale.
 The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, Rector of Trinity Church, Weymouth.
 The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON, Assistant at St. Anne's, Lowell.
 The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Ipswich.
 The Rev. BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY, Assistant at Trinity Church, Boston, and Missionary at the Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston.
 The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D. D., Rector of St. John's, Charlestown, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM CHAUNCY LANGDON, D. D., Hoosac, N. Y.
 The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, Rector of St. Paul's, Stockbridge.
 The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Rector of Grace Church, Lawrence.
 The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEABOYD, Rector of St. Thomas's, Taunton, and Treasurer of the Convention.
 The Rev. WILLIAM F. LHOYD, Oxford.
 The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, Rector of St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls.
 The Rev. LEANDER CORNELIUS MANCHESTER, Rector of St. John's, Lowell.
 The Rev. WILLIAM MCGLATHERY, Norristown, Pa.
 The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, Melrose.
 The Rev. NATHAN WATSON MUNROE, Greenfield.
 The Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE, Rector of St. John's, East Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, Rector of St. Paul's, Boston.
 The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, Deacon, officiating at Christ Church, Rochdale, and Missionary at Grace Church, Oxford.
 The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE, Assistant at the Church of the Advent, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE ENDICOTT OSGOOD, Rector of Grace Church, North Attleboro'.
 The Rev. GEORGE STURGIS PAINE, Worcester.
 The Rev. CHARLES J. PALMER, in charge of St. Luke's, Lanesboro'.
 The Rev. EDMUND BARNABAS PALMER, Boston.
 The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Boston.
 The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, Rector of St. John's, Northampton.
 The Rev. JOSHUA RINDGE PEIRCE, in charge of St. Anne's Chapel, Dorchester, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE WASHINGTON PORTER, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Wrentham.
 The Rev. DANIEL S. C. M. POTTER, Deacon, Louisville, Ky.
 The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston.
 The Rev. AUGUSTUS PRIME, Rector of St. Margaret's, Brighton, Boston.
 The Rev. CHARLES HAYDEN PROCTOR, Rector of St. James's, New Bedford.
 The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, Rector of Trinity Church, Haverhill.
 The Rev. EDWARD AUGUSTUS RAND, Deacon, in charge of Christ Church, Hyde Park.
 The Rev. LINDALL WINTHROP SALTONSTALL, Rector of St. Mary's, Dorchester, Boston.
 The Rev. JAMES A. SANDERSON, officiating at Christ Church, Plymouth.
 The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, Rector of St. John's, Jamaica Plain, Boston.
 The Rev. HENRY J. SHERIDAN, in charge of the Church of the Atonement, Westfield.
 The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, Rector of Grace Church, Newton.
 The Rev. CHARLES LANCASTER SHORT, Rector of Trinity Church, Melrose.
 The Rev. SAMUEL RUGGLES SLACK, Wakefield.

The Rev. CARLOS SLAFTER, Deacon, principal of a private school, Dedham.
The Rev. EDMUND FARWELL SLAFTER, Boston.
The Rev. EMILIUS W. SMITH, Rector of Christ Church, Fitchburg.
The Rev. JAMES FIELD SPALDING, Rector of Christ Church, Cambridge.
The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, Rector of St. John's, Taunton.
The Rev. ORLANDO FRARY STARKEY, Mystic, Conn.
The Rev. PETER H. STEENSTRA, Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, and in charge of St. Anne's, Lincoln.
The Rev. LANGDON CHEVES STEWARDSON, Rector of the Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.
The Rev. GEORGE A. STRONG, Rector of Grace Church, New Bedford.
The Rev. JOHN SEELKY STONE, D. D., Emeritus Dean, and Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, Rector of St. Paul's, Brookline.
The Rev. EDWARD HYDE TRUR, Assistant at St. George's, Flushing, L. I.
The Rev. TREADWELL WALDEN, Whitestone, L. I.
The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, Rector of Calvary Church, Danvers, and officiating at St. Paul's, Peabody.
The Rev. JULIUS HAMMOND WARD, Boston.
The Rev. JAMES B. WASSON, Rector of St. John's, North Adams, and Missionary at St. John's, Williamstown.
The Rev. JULIUS HENRY WATERBURY, Rector of St. Matthew's, Worcester, and Missionary at Cherry Valley.
The Rev. JOHN LEE WATSON, D. D., Orange, N. J.
The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, Rector of St. John's, Lawrence.
The Rev. JOHN CORNWELL WELWOOD, Rector of St. Peter's, Beverly.
The Rev. GEORGE ROGERS WHEERLOCK, Boston.
The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, Minister of St. John the Evangelist, Haverhill.
The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, Rector of Trinity Church, Woburn.
The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, Chaplain of St. Luke's Home, Boston.
The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, Rector of St. Matthew's, South Boston, and Chaplain of the Church Home, South Boston.

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II.

List of Parishes.

I.

IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION,

May, 1881.

Amesbury, St. James's.	Lincoln, St. Anne's.
Amherst, Grace.	Longwood, Our Saviour.
Andover, Christ.	Lowell, St. Anne's.
Ashfield, St. John's.	" St. John's.
Beverly, St. Peter's.	Lynn, St. Stephen's.
Boston, (Dorchester) All Saints'.	Malden, St. Paul's.
" Christ.	Marblehead, St. Michael's.
" Trinity.	Medford, Grace.
" St. Paul's.	Melrose, Trinity.
" Church of the Messiah.	Milford, Trinity.
" Church of the Advent.	Millville, St. John's.
" Emmanuel.	Nantucket, St. Paul's.
" St. Mary for Sailors.	Natick, St. Paul's.
" (South) St. Matthew's.	New Bedford, Grace.
" Good Shepherd.	Newburyport, St. Paul's.
" (East) St. John's.	Newton, (Lower Falls) St. Mary's.
" (Highlands) St. James's.	" Grace.
" " St. John's.	" (West and Auburndale)
" (Charlestown) St. John's.	Messiah.
" (Dorchester) St. Mary's.	North Attleboro', Grace.
" (Jamaica Plain), St. John's.	North Adams, St. John's.
" (Brighton) St. Margaret's.	Northampton, St. John's.
Bridgewater, Trinity.	Oxford, Grace.
Brookline, St. Paul's.	Pittsfield, St. Stephen's.
Cambridge, Christ.	Plymouth, Christ.
" St. Peter's.	Quincy, Christ.
" St. James's.	Rochdale, Christ.
Chelsea, St. Luke's.	Salem, St. Peter's.
Chicopee, Grace.	" Grace.
Clinton, Good Shepherd.	Sheffield, Christ.
Danvers, Calvary.	Somerville, Emmanuel.
Dedham, St. Paul's.	" (East) St. Thomas's.
" (Oakdale) Good Shepherd.	South Adams, St. Mark's.
Easthampton, St. Philip's.	South Groveland, St. James's.
Fall River, Ascension.	Southborough, St. Mark's.
Fiskdale, Grace.	Springfield, Christ.
Fitchburg, Christ.	Stockbridge, St. Paul's.
Framingham, St. John's.	Swansea, Christ.
Gloucester, St. John's.	Taunton, St. John's.
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On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution, together with the Section of the Canon referred to, be printed upon the cover of the Journal.

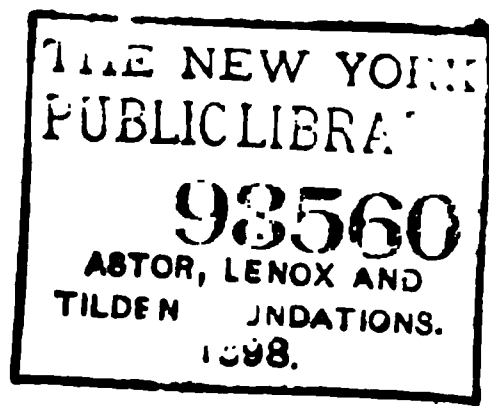
Title II., Canon 12, Section 1.

A communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a Certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removed shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

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WEDNESDAY, May 10, 1882.

THIS being the day appointed for the Ninety-second Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, the BISHOP and several of the clergy and lay delegates assembled in the Chapel of Trinity Church, Boston, at nine o'clock A.M.

The BISHOP called the Convention to order, and offered the Lord's Prayer and the prayer for meetings of Convention.

The SECRETARY then called over the list prepared by the BISHOP, of all clergymen in the Diocese entitled to *seats* and *votes* in the Convention, as follows (those not present are printed in *Italics*) : —

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.

The Rev. Edward Abbott.

“ A. V. G. Allen, D.D.
“ Frederic B. Allen.
“ Henry F. Allen.
“ Augustine H. Amory.
“ *Daniel G. Anderson.*
“ Charles Arey, D.D.
“ *David J. Ayers.*
“ Arthur M. Backus.
“ Arthur H. Barrington.
“ William S. Bartlet.
“ John S. Beers.
“ George S. Bennitt.
“ John A. Bevington.
“ *Frank H. Bigelow.*
“ Nathan K. Bishop.
“ Harry I. Bodley.
“ Levi Boyer.
“ John C. Brooks.

The Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D.

“ Wm. Henry Brooks, D.D.
“ *Abbott Brown.*
“ Percy Browne.
“ George H. Buck.
“ *Frederick Burgess, Jr.*
“ John T. Burrill.
“ *Hiram Carleton, D.D.*
“ Nathan H. Chamberlain.
“ A. St. John Chambré, D.D.
“ Arthur W. Chapman.
“ William F. Cheney.
“ Jonas B. Clark.
“ Joseph H. Clinch, S.T.D.
“ George S. Converse.
“ James I. T. Coolidge, D.D.
“ *Henry E. Cotton.*
“ Jeremiah J. Cressey.
“ Louis De Cornis.

The Rev. *Frederick W. Dennis.*

- " Malcolm Douglass, D.D.
- " Edward L. Drown.
- " Charles W. Duffield.
- " George W. Durell.
- " *Theodore Edson, D.D.*
- " Samuel Edwards.
- " James S. Ellis.
- " *Samuel M. Emery, D.D.*
- " Thomas F. Fales.
- " *H. Warren Fay.*
- " *Justin Field.*
- " Peter V. Finch.
- " Henry L. Foote.
- " *James P. Franks.*
- " Walter R. Gardner.
- " *Albert E. George.*
- " *Benjamin R. Gifford.*
- " *Edwin W. Gould.*
- " Charles C. Grafton.
- " Andrew Gray.
- " G. Zabriskie Gray, D.D.
- " Lewis Green.
- " Edward M. Gushee.
- " Arthur C. A. Hall.
- " Etienne T. Hamel.
- " Frank S. Harraden.
- " William R. Harris.
- " Jesse E. Heald.
- " Samuel H. Hilliard.
- " James M. Hillyar.
- " Samuel Hodgkiss.
- " William R. Hooper.
- " *Nicholas Hoppin, D.D.*
- " Reginald H. Howe.
- " *Henry N. Hudson, LL.D.*
- " George P. Huntington.
- " Wm. R. Huntington, D.D.
- " Charles L. Hutchins.
- " Joseph Jenks.
- " John A. Jerome.
- " Alfred E. Johnson, B.D.
- " Reuben Kidner.
- " Thomas R. Lambert, D.D.

The Rev. *Arthur Lawrence.*

- " William Lawrence.
- " Charles H. Learoyd.
- " Henry Mackay.
- " Leander C. Manchester
- " *William McGlathery.*
- " Henry A. Metcalf.
- " Nathan W. Munroe.
- " William H. Munroe.
- " Henry S. Nash.
- " *William W. Newton.*
- " Charles McI. Nicholson
- " Thomas W. Nickerson.
- " Edward W. Osborne.
- " George E. Osgood.
- " Charles J. Palmer.
- " Leighton Parks.
- " J. Sturgis Pearce.
- " Joshua R. Peirce.
- " George W. Porter, D.D
- " George J. Prescott.
- " *Augustus Prime.*
- " Charles A. Rand.
- " Edward A. Rand.
- " Lindall W. Saltonstall.
- " Sumner U. Shearman.
- " Henry J. Sheridan.
- " George W. Shinn.
- " Charles L. Short.
- " Edmund F. Slafter.
- " Emelius W. Smith.
- " James F. Spalding.
- " Samuel S. Spear.
- " Peter H. Steenstra.
- " Langdon C. Stewardson
- " George A. Strong.
- " Leonard K. Storrs.
- " George Walker.
- " Alfred F. Washburn.
- " William G. Wells.
- " *John C. Welwood.*
- " James E. Wilkinson.
- " J. Frank Winkley.
- " John Wright.

The following list comprises those who are entitled to *seats*, but not to votes: —

The Rev. <i>William R. Babcock, D.D.</i>	The Rev. Francis Mansfield.
" <i>Samuel R. Bailey.</i>	" <i>George S. Paine.</i>
" <i>Leonidas B. Baldwin.</i>	" <i>Edmund B. Palmer.</i>
" <i>Belno A. Brown.</i>	" <i>D. S. C. M. Potter.</i>
" <i>Francis G. Burgess.</i>	" <i>Samuel R. Slack.</i>
" <i>Henry Burroughs, D.D.</i>	" <i>Charles H. Proctor.</i>
" <i>Eli H. Canfield, D.D.</i>	" <i>James A. Sanderson.</i>
" <i>Frederick Courtney, S.T.D.</i>	" <i>Carlos Slafter.</i>
" <i>William T. Fitch.</i>	" <i>Orlando F. Starkey.</i>
" <i>Francis A. Foxcroft.</i>	" <i>Edward H. True.</i>
" <i>Frederick Freeman.</i>	" <i>Treadwell Walden.</i>
" <i>David G. Haskins, S.T.D.</i>	" <i>Julius H. Ward.</i>
" <i>Osgood E. Herrick.</i>	" <i>James B. Wasson.</i>
" <i>Sam. Hollingsworth, S.T.D.</i>	" <i>John L. Watson, D.D.</i>
" <i>Robert E. Jones.</i>	" <i>George R. Wheelock.</i>
" <i>D'Estaing Jennings.</i>	" <i>Charles Wingate.</i>
" <i>B. B. Killikelly.</i>	" <i>William C. Winslow.</i>
" <i>William F. Lhoyd.</i>	

The Secretary then called over the names of Parishes in union with the Convention.

The names of Lay Delegates not present during the session are printed in *Italics*.

ADAMS, ST. MARK'S.

Emil Kipper.

F. H. B. Munson.

AMESBURY, ST. JAMES'S.

Peter Clark.

Steven C. Patten.

Eugene C. Gilman.

AMHERST, GRACE.

R. W. Stratton.

Henry C. Nash.

ANDOVER, CHRIST.

Horace H. Tyer.

William Marland.

George H. Poor.

ASHFIELD, ST. JOHN'S.

BEVERLY, ST. PETER'S.

Robert H. Bancroft.

Austin D. Kilham.

Valmore E. Franklin.

BOSTON, ADVENT.

George C. Shattuck, M.D.

Edward N. Perkins.

John P. Tarbell.

BOSTON (D.), ALL SAINTS'.

Henry M. Snell.

William L. Ireland.

Clarence H. Knight.

BOSTON, CHRIST.

John Fox.

Thomas Mair.

Henry Walker.

BOSTON, EMMANUEL.

Benjamin S. Rotch.

George P. Denny.

Samuel G. Snelling.

BOSTON, GOOD SHEPHERD.

E. R. Humphreys, LL.D.

J. D. Williams French.

M. H. Graham.

BOSTON, MESSIAH.*Causten Browne.**William Babson.**Roderick Richardson.***BOSTON (ROX.), ST. JAMES'S.***Atherton T. Brown.**Henry Emmons.**Danforth C. Hodges.***BOSTON (CH'N.), ST. JOHN'S.***George N. Fisher.**Samuel F. Summers.**Albert E. Warner.***BOSTON (ROX.), ST. JOHN'S.***Henry B. Mackintosh.**George H. Cheever.**Charles V. Twiss.***BOSTON (J. P.), ST. JOHN'S.***Frank W. Reynolds.**Thomas P. Proctor.**John M. Hagar.***BOSTON (EAST), ST. JOHN'S.***George H. Plummer.**William A. Parker.**William Whitton Dwyer.***BOSTON (BR.), ST. MARGARET'S.***Theodore T. S. Laidley.**John H. Sturgis.**Donald Black.***BOSTON (DOR.), ST. MARY'S.***Daniel B. Stedman, Jr.**Daniel Sharp.**C. Ellery Stedman, M.D.***BOSTON, ST. MARY FOR SAILORS.***Richard L. Thomas.**Henry Cotton.***BOSTON, ST. MATTHEW'S.***Henry W. Nelson.**Ira W. Hill.**John Morton Clinch.***BOSTON, ST. PAUL'S.***Henry A. Turner.**John S. Blatchford.**John Phillips Reynolds, M.D.***BOSTON, TRINITY.***Robert Treat Paine, Jr.**John C. Ropes.**Benjamin F. Nourse.***BRIDGEWATER, TRINITY.***J. B. Fobes.**John W. Burt.***BROOKLINE, ST. PAUL'S.***Henry S. Chase.**Thomas Parsons.**Mortimer C. Ferris.***CAMBRIDGE, CHRIST.***Samuel Batchelder.**Lucius L. Hubbard.**Francis C. Foster.***CAMBRIDGE, ST. JAMES'S.***Charles R. Woods.**Albert S. Pillsbury.**Luke H. Whitney.***CAMBRIDGE, ST. PETER'S.***James A. Fox.**Edward R. Cogswell.**William W. Dallinger.***CHELSEA, ST. LUKE'S.***Gilbert M. Golden.**James H. Mercer.**William P. Montague.***CHICOPEE, GRACE.****CLINTON, GOOD SHEPHERD.***Henry N. Bigelow.**Charles G. Stevens.**Charles A. Vickery.***DANVERS, CALVARY.***Alvin P. Knapp.**Benjamin R. Tibbetts.**John R. Fuller.***DEDHAM, GOOD SHEPHERD.***Ephraim L. Frothingham, Jr.**Charles A. Welch.**William B. Welch.***DEDHAM, ST. PAUL'S.***Ira Cleveland.**Thomas L. Wakefield.**Erastus Worthington.***EASTHAMPTON, ST. PHILIP.****FALL RIVER, ASCENSION.***Walter C. Durfee.**Borden Chace.**Charles Parker.***FISKDALE, GRACE.***James C. Fisk.**A. B. Rice, M.D.*

FITCHBURG, CHRIST.

Dennis Fay.
Albert B. Haskell.
Frederick A. Currier.

FRAMINGHAM, ST. JOHN'S.

James W. Brown.
William Edgar.
W. Frank Hurd.

GLOUCESTER, ST. JOHN'S.

William Babson.
George Grier.
Frederick T. Hall, Jr.

G. BARRINGTON, ST. JAMES'S.

Justin Dewey.
Marcus E. Tobey.
William W. Norton.

GREENFIELD, ST. JAMES'S.

Chester C. Conant.
Nathaniel T. Houghton.
Frederick L. Green.

HANOVER, ST. ANDREW'S.

Lemuel C. Waterman.
Horatio Bigelow.
Lloyd Briggs.

HAVERHILL, TRINITY.

William B. Kimball.
Edward F. Adams.
Thomas Sanders.

HOLYOKE, ST. PAUL'S.

William Grover.
Elias B. Ford.
Theophilus Parsons, Jr.

HOPKINTON, ST. PAUL'S.

William Kennedy.
Daniel W. McLeod.
James F. Braithwaite.

HYDE PARK, CHRIST.

Henry H. Smith.
Charles C. Hayes, M.D.
William H. Hoogs.

IPSWICH, ASCENSION.

George L. Tilton.
John Birch.
William J. Ratsey.

LANESBOROUGH, ST. LUKE'S.

LAWRENCE, GRACE.

Henry M. Whitney.
Charles G. Saunders.
Warren A. Durant.

LAWRENCE, ST. JOHN'S.

Nathaniel P. H. Melvin.
James Walton.
William McCallum.

LEE, ST. GEORGE'S.

Lucius Crocker.
George W. Cheney.
Charles H. Durant.

LENOX, TRINITY.

LINCOLN, ST. ANNE'S.

Nahum Smith.
John Tasker.
Arthur Johnson.

LONGWOOD, OUR SAVIOUR.

Samuel L. Bush.
William L. Chase.
Charles Thorndike.

LOWELL, ST. ANNE'S.

John O. Green, M.D.
John M. Pevey.
Oliver E. Cushing.

LOWELL, ST. JOHN'S.

Albert G. Swan.
Francis A. Warner.
Samuel J. Gibby.

LYNN, ST. STEPHEN'S.

John A. McArthur.
William H. Berry.
Edward S. Davis.

MALDEN, ST. PAUL'S.

George W. Neal.
George C. Tate.
Matthew C. Grier.

MARBLEHEAD, ST. MICHAEL'S.

William D. T. Trefry.
Richard L. T. Evans.
Frederick W. Coffin.

MEDFORD, GRACE.

Frederick M. Tilden.
C. D. Bray.
William I. Parker.

MELROSE, TRINITY.

J. Harrison Ward.
William L. Williams.
Royal P. Barry.

MILFORD, TRINITY.

James I. C. Cook.
George G. Parker.
Charles Dove.

MILLVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

John Waterhouse.
William A. Cole.
James Booth.

NANTUCKET, ST. PAUL'S.

Charles H. Starbuck.
Arthur E. Jenks.

NATICK, ST. PAUL'S.

Howard N. Wakeman.
Charles E. Hamilton.
Morrison Atwood.

NEW BEDFORD, GRACE.

Frederick C. S. Bartlett.
Edmund Rodman.
Charles B. H. Fessenden.

NEWBURYPORT, ST. PAUL'S.

Nathaniel Foster.
Alfred W. Lord.
Moses Brown.

NEWTON (LOWER FALLS), ST. MARY'S.

John Pulcifer.
Henry F. Spurr.
Francis Mills.

NEWTON, GRACE.

Edwin F. Waters.
Adin B. Underwood.
William S. Gardner.

NEWTON (WEST), AND AUBURNDAL, MESSIAH.

Charles Edward Parker.
Walter C. Ware.

N. ATTLEBOROUGH, GRACE.

Otis Stanley.
E. E. Barrows.
Edward Williams.

NORTH ADAMS, ST. JOHN'S.

Charles H. Read.
John Emmott.
William A. Gallup.

NORTHAMPTON, ST. JOHN'S.

William C. Robinson.
Lewis Warner.
Charles Dance.

OXFORD, GRACE.**PITTSFIELD, ST. STEPHEN'S.**

W. E. Vermilye, M.D.
Frank E. Kernochan.
William D. Axtell.

PLYMOUTH, CHRIST.**QUINCY, CHRIST.**

Peter Butler.
William Amory, Jr.
Henry N. Hunt.

ROCHDALE, CHRIST.

Elbridge G. Carlton.
James E. Boardman.

SALEM, GRACE.

Benjamin Shreve.
Daniel B. Hagar, Ph.D.
Leverett S. Tuckerman.

SALEM, ST. PETER'S.

George R. Curwen.
Edward F. Balch.
Emery K. Benson.

SHEFFIELD, CHRIST.**SOMERVILLE, EMMANUEL.**

Robert H. Gibby.
Philip Highley.
Charles H. Bradshaw.

SOMERVILLE (E.), ST. THOMAS

George Vincent.
Douglas Frazar.
Thomas M. Durell.

S. GROVELAND, ST. JAMES'S

B. Robert Downes.
Charles A. Shaw.

SOUTHBOROUGH, ST. MARK'S

Joseph Burnett.
Leander W. Newton.
Henry H. Newton.

SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST.

James D. Brewer.
George W. Winchester.
Daniel P. Crocker.

STOCKBRIDGE, ST. PAUL'S.*Daniel B. Fenn.**Franklin W. Adams.**Charles H. Plumb.***SWANSEA, CHRIST.***William H. Pearse.**Frank S. Stevens.***TAUNTON, ST. THOMAS'S.***Edmund H. Bennett.**William C. Lovering.**George F. Pratt.***TAUNTON, ST. JOHN'S.***William Parkin.**Jason H. Hayward.**Henry Nicholds.***VAN DEUSENVILLE, TRINITY.****WAKEFIELD, EMMANUEL.****WALTHAM, CHRIST.***Moses E. Osgood.**Hamblin L. Hovey.**Edward C. Caldwell.***WEBSTER, RECONCILIATION.***James H. Howe.**William S. Slater.**Amos Bartlett.***WESTFIELD, ATONEMENT.****WEYMOUTH, TRINITY.***Edward Avery.**Charles A. Chessman.**Frank K. Slack.***WILKINSONVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.***Albert H. Whiting.**Park H. Webb.***WOBURN, TRINITY.***James Folsom.**James Love.**Charles W. Davis.***WOOD'S HOLL, MESSIAH.***Joseph S. Fay.**Charles E. Hatch.**Ezekiel E. Swift.***WORCESTER, ALL SAINTS'.***Edward L. Davis.**Francis H. Dewey.**Charles M. Bent.***WRENTHAM, TRINITY.***James Pollard.**Thomas A. George.**Charles J. Randall.*

The BISHOP then announced the following persons as the Committee on Qualifications : —

The Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS.

“ “ GEORGE W. DURELL.

“ “ CHARLES C. GRAFTON.

The lists of clergymen and the certificates of lay delegates were handed to this Committee.

The Convention then adjourned to Trinity Church for religious services.

Morning Prayer to the First Lesson was read by the Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, the Psalms being the eighth selection, the BISHOP reading the Absolution. The First Lesson was read by the Rev. GEORGE S. BENNITT, the Second Lesson by the Rev. JOHN S. BEERS, the Nicene Creed and Prayers by the Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE, the Litany by the Rev. HARRY I. BODLEY; the Hymns and Notices were announced, and the Ante-Communion Office to the Gospel was read, by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., the BISHOP reading the Gospel; the Sermon was preached by the Rev.

LEANDER C. MANCHESTER from the text, Hab. iii. 2: "*O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.*"

The Offertory Sentences and Prayer for the Church Militant were read by the Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, B.D.; the Exhortation and Confession, etc., by the Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D.; the Absolution, by the BISHOP, who then proceeded to the Prayer of Consecration. After the two hundred and third Hymn, the Holy Communion was administered to the Clergy and to a large number of the Laity, by the BISHOP, being assisted in the distribution of the elements by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., the Rev. L. C. MANCHESTER, and the Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, B.D.; the Post Communion, by the BISHOP.

The offerings were collected by the Rev. ALFRED F. WASHBURN, the Rev. SAMUEL HODGKISS, the Rev. HENRY S. NASH, and the Rev. ARTHUR W. CHAPMAN, Deacons.

At the conclusion of Divine Service, the Convention returned to the Chapel, and was called to order by the BISHOP.

The Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, from the Committee on Qualifications, made the following Report:—

The Committee on Qualifications to the Ninety-second Convention would respectfully report,—

That they have examined the list of the clerical delegates, and find it correct.

They would also report that they have examined the certificates of lay delegates, and have found them correct with the exception of the following:—

Grace Church, Lawrence; the blanks in the certificate for the date, place, name of parish, and date of meeting, being unfilled.

St. James's, Amesbury; the date, name of town, and parish, not given.

St. James's, Great Barrington; the certificate does not state that the delegates were elected at a regular meeting of the vestry or parish, or are stated worshippers.

Also *St. Paul's, Stockbridge*, fails to declare that the delegates are stated worshippers.

For the Committee.

CHARLES C. GRAFTON.

The report was accepted.

The SECRETARY then called the roll of clergy entitled to seats and votes in the Convention, and also the roll of clergy entitled to seats only. The list of lay delegates was then called; and, a quorum of both orders being found present, the BISHOP declared the Convention open for business.

The first business in order being the election of a Secretary, on motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That balloting be dispensed with.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., be re-elected Secretary.

The SECRETARY asked permission of the Convention to appoint the Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., Assistant Secretary.

Permission was granted; and Dr. BROOKS's nomination was confirmed.

ROBERT TREAT PAINE, Jr., made a statement on behalf of the Committee on Hospitality.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That the reading of the Rules of Order be omitted.

The Rev. LEONIDAS B. BALDWIN made an application for the admission of St. Mark's, Boston, into union with the Convention.

The papers were handed in, and given to the Committee on New Parishes.

The BISHOP then announced the following Standing Committees: —

<i>On the Admission of New Parishes,</i>	{	The Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH.
		“ JOSHUA R. PEIRCE.
		“ ANDREW GRAY.
		Messrs. CHARLES G. STEVENS.
<i>On Constitution and Canons</i>	{	J. MORTON CLINCH.
		The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.
		“ MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
		“ EDWARD M. GUSHER.
<i>Executive Committee</i>	{	Messrs. EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.
		CHESTER C. CONANT.
		The Rev. HENRY L. FOOTE.
		“ WILLIAM R. HARRIS.
<i>On Unfinished Business</i>	{	Mr. JOHN H. STURGIS.
		The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE.
		Messrs. HENRY H. SMITH.
		WILLIAM H. BERRY.
<i>On Finance</i>	{	The Rev. JULIUS H. WARD.
		Messrs. ALFRED W. LORD.
		MOSES E. OSGOOD.

Resolved, That this Convention now take a recess till three o'clock P.M.

Adjourned.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, from the Committee on Qualifications, reported that St. James's Church, Amesbury, and Grace Church, Lawrence, had amended the certificate of election of lay delegates, and recommended that the delegates from these parishes be admitted.

The SECRETARY called the names of delegates from the above parishes, and they took their seats.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., —

Resolved, That clergymen belonging to other dioceses, candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, former members of this Convention, all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present at its sittings, and the church-wardens and vestrymen of Trinity Church, Boston, and Mr. R. Graham, a general secretary of the Church of England Temperance Society, be invited to honorary seats in this body.

The following gentlemen appeared, and took seats under the above resolution: —

The Rev. S. H. WEBB	<i>Rhode Island.</i>
" J. LEROY	<i>New Hampshire.</i>
" HORATIO GRAY	<i>New York.</i>
" CHARLES F. SWEET	<i>Springfield, Ill.</i>

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE presented a petition for a slight alteration in the Constitution of St. John's Church, Roxbury, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH, from the Committee on New Parishes, presented the following Report: —

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, having examined the papers submitted by St. Mark's Parish, Boston, and found them correct, recommend the admission of said parish into union with this Convention.

P. VOORHEES FINCH,
J. R. PEIRCE,
ANDREW GRAY,
J. MORTON CLINCH,
Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

The report was accepted; and St. Mark's, Boston, was admitted into union with the Convention.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE presented the annual report of the Standing Committee.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee present the following report for the conventional year:—

The Committee was duly organized on the seventh day of June, 1881, by the choice of the Rev. Thomas R. Lambert, D.D., as President, and the Rev. George S. Converse as Secretary.

The Committee have held twelve meetings.

They have to record with sincere sorrow the death of one of their oldest and most valued members, the Hon. Enoch R. Mudge. At their regular meeting, Oct. 11, 1881, the following minute was unanimously adopted:—

"The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts, feeling keenly the grief which has overspread our whole Diocese at the sudden death of the Hon. E. Redington Mudge, and the deepest grief at the removal of an associate who has been a member of the Committee for thirteen years, desire to place upon their records this brief but sincere expression of their sorrow, and, as a testimonial to his worth, do unanimously adopt the following tribute.

"The relations of Mr. Mudge to the community at large, his character as a citizen, his integrity and ability as a merchant, his efforts to elevate society, and his fidelity to every trust, have received heartfelt and spontaneous acknowledgment from the various associations with which he was connected.

"To us belong the duty and the privilege to speak of him in his character as a Christian, of his loyalty to our church, his interest in the work of the Diocese, and especially of his personal and official relations to the members of this Board. The Christian character of our friend was known and read of all men, and was manifested in the purity of his life, and in the kindliness of a sympathy that reached far beyond the narrow limitations of a party. The tranquil close of his life, when, with unfaltering trust, he resigned his soul to God, was the crown and fruitage of a life that had been close with God. He 'walked with God;' and he is not, for God hath taken him.

"We remember, with pleasure and gratitude to God, that Mr. Mudge always recognized the blessed influences which came to him from the worship, the teaching, and the training of our primitive and apostolic Church. He was loyal to the Church *as she is*, and was emphatically a Prayer-Book Churchman. His whole character, as it was the result, so was it a beautiful illustration, of the Church whose ways are pleasantness and all whose paths are peace. Of his unexampled liberality it is unnecessary to repeat what is known to us all. Among his latest utterances was the expression of his gratitude that he had been taught the duty and the blessedness of giving.

"While saddened at the consciousness that we shall meet no more in this life a friend so true and gentle, we sorrow not as those without hope; but, thanking God for all the good vouchsafed to the Church by his servant now at rest, we rejoice in the faith that his life was the preparation for the higher blessedness and the richer experiences of the life beyond, and in the firm assurance that our friend is with 'the pure in heart' who 'see God.'

"It is ordered that this minute be entered upon the records of the Standing Committee, and that a copy be sent to the bereaved family and to 'The Churchman.'"

The vacancy in the Committee was filled by the election of the Hon. Edward L. Davis of the parish of All Saints, Worcester.

The Committee have signed the canonical testimonials of William S. Emery, James O. Lincoln, Frank Woods Baker, Charles W. K. Morrill, Thomas White Nickerson, jun., Wilford Lash Robbins, Arthur Wentworth Eaton (late a minister of the Baptist denomination), John Wallace Suter, Henry William Winkley, Sherrard Billings, William Hyde, Thomas A. Hyde, Ernest Homer Mariett, and Frank P. Hill, recommending them to be admitted candidates for Holy Orders.

They have signed the canonical testimonials of James E. Wilkinson, Alfred Foster Washburn, Robert E. Jones, Benjamin Smith Sanderson, and Arthur Wentworth Eaton, recommending them to be admitted to the Order of Deacons.

They have signed the canonical testimonials of the Revs. David J. Ayers, Charles W. Duffield, A. St. John Chambré, D.D., James E. Wilkinson, Samuel Hodgkiss, Henry Sylvester Nash, Henry Herbert Smythe, and Arthur Wellesley Chapman, *Deacons*, recommending them for ordination to the Priesthood.

They have signed the canonical testimonials of the Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, D.D., Bishop-elect of Pittsburgh.

The Committee have given their consent to the ordination to the Diaconate of James E. Wilkinson, Samuel Hodgkiss, F. W. Dennis, Henry S. Nash, and Robert E. Jones, within three years from their admission as candidates for Holy Orders; and to the ordination of Arthur Wentworth Eaton (late a Baptist minister), after the expiration of six months from his admission as a candidate.

They have also given their "advice and consent" to the ordination to the Priesthood of the Revs. A. H. Amory, C. W. Duffield, Edward A. Rand, A. St. John Chambré, D.D., James E. Wilkinson, Henry S. Nash, Samuel Hodgkiss, Henry Herbert Smythe, and Arthur Wellesley Chapman, within one year from their reception of Deacons' Orders.

They have approved the bill of Messrs. M. H. Mallory & Co., for printing, of \$14.40.

They have approved the Articles of Association and the Constitution and By-Laws of St. Mark's Church, Boston.

The Committee beg to conclude their report with the following extract from the report of the Standing Committee of 1879-80, having reference to the preparation of canonical testimonials:—

"The Standing Committee, in view of the solemn responsibility attending the recommendation of persons seeking admission to the ministry, desire to call the attention of the Clergy and Laity to the necessity of greater care in the preparation of testimonials certifying to the fitness of the applicants.

"In the judgment of this Committee, the intention of the Canons requiring the testimonials to be signed by the Vestry of a parish is, that in every case the Vestry shall be duly convened, and the signatures affixed in Vestry meeting. A paper signed by several persons individually, who are members of a Vestry, has not the weight and importance of a testimonial deliberately adopted and signed in a Vestry meeting. In order that the Standing Committee may know that a certificate was signed by a majority of the Vestry, duly convened, this fact must be explicitly stated on the face of the testimonials. This is required by Canon 2 of Title I., Section 3, in the case of a postulant asking to be admitted as a candidate. It is of far greater importance when the candidate is recommended as a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred orders of Deacons and Priests.

"If, instead of a certificate from a Vestry, the alternative allowed by the Canons is adopted, and the signatures of laymen are procured, satisfactory reasons must be presented in writing to the Standing Committee, who are made by the Canons 'the sole judge of the propriety of receiving testimonials signed by others than a Rector and Vestry.'

"The intent of the Canons allowing testimonials in certain cases from 'twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church,' in place of a Vestry, evidently is, that these twelve should be, not clergymen nor candidates for orders, but laymen. Unless they are personally known to the Standing Committee, their residences, and the names of the parishes to which they belong, should be given; and it is desirable that their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church."

For the Committee.

G. S. CONVERSE,
Secretary.

On motion of CAUSTEN BROWNE, —

Resolved, That it be referred to a special committee, to be appointed by the Chair, to consider the subject of the formation of a Church Temperance Society, in the light of information to be gained at the public meeting to be held this evening, and report to this Convention, or to the next, as they may be advised;

which was adopted by the Convention.

The BISHOP appointed the following Committee under this resolution :—

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.

" GEORGE W. SHINN.

" HENRY F. ALLEN.

" LEANDER C. MANCHESTER.

Messrs. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

ADIN B. UNDERWOOD.

The BISHOP then delivered his ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Bishop Paddock's Address.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

THE unwearied goodness of God has spared us to meet again in council, and to speak, one with another, of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of His dear Son. We meet to-day, a body numbering more clergy and more communicants than ever before have belonged to this ancient Diocese; and in more places of worship than ever before in our history is Christ's holy name preached, and His sacraments duly administered by this Church. By almost every token God is granting us a goodly measure of prosperity. Not very many of our "fishers of men" can say with profound sincerity, "Master, we have toiled all the night," and then add, as the result, "We have taken nothing." Very few of our godly laity can declare that they have conscientiously done their part as co-workers with God and fellow-laborers with the Ministry of His Church, and yet can see no increase.

It is of small importance to decide the question whether the work to be done by your Bishop is as steadily growing as is the Diocese, so long as that growing work does not make it impracticable for him, by constant labor and unremitting sacrifice of all other occupations and interests, to exercise the necessary watch and care over all the varied interests of the Diocese. But often made abundantly conscious of the all-engrossing nature of my work, and of my sad inability to control the time for most important reading and study which clergymen inclined to be studious can generally secure, often deeply humbled by my enforced ignorance of many subjects of present interest which my brethren of the Ministry may quietly investigate, I hint at the ever-growing burden of my official duties, only to bespeak your needed charity for the shortcomings which cannot be unnoticed; and for my occasional hesitation in promising second visitations, or in disarranging the carefully adjusted outlay of work and time in the schedule by

postponement of the canonically notified visitation. There is an ever-present pressure of duty to the *whole* Diocese. What is added to one parish or minister can be shown in very truth to be taken from what belongs to all. I cannot take part, as during the last year, in two hundred and eighteen public services and in nearly a hundred business meetings, and still make all visitations fall on Sunday, until we reach the Millennium, when, I suppose, all the days will be Lord's Days.

And just here, before becoming involved in the details proper to this address, I wish to say a word in reference to a matter of personal and official duty which has weighed upon my mind for a considerable time, and has led to occasional counsels to some of my esteemed brethren in charge of Parishes. I refer to a tendency in a few quarters to present for Confirmation children who have not yet come to years of discretion. I have no general complaint to make; but I deem it my duty to the Church and to my own conscience to state with all Christian frankness my scruple against being made, now and then, the agent in the Confirmation of those whom I believe of too immature age to meet the Church's requirements for the proper reception of this Apostolic rite. Some English books of devotion, of large use in certain sections of the Church of England, and of limited use in this country, teach that children of seven years may profitably be brought under the discipline of habitual confession, and all that it implies and involves. Now I know no more of any scriptural or ecclesiastical authority for such a theory than the Church does. And perhaps the occasional presenting of little children for Confirmation has not any connection with this Roman theory. A tract of American authorship is well known among us, which tries to prove our little ones wronged if not admitted to Confirmation and the Holy Communion almost as soon as they can speak plainly; while another clergyman, with equal success, is just now pleading for that "corrupt following of the Apostles" which would give us, literally, "Infant Confirmation" and "Infant Communion." But, whatever may be the theory, I must protest against the occasional requirement that a Bishop — when too late to remonstrate — shall lay his hands, in the Church's name, on the heads of children from eight to ten years of age, or else publicly refuse them to their grief and humiliation. I think I have confirmed a few such, year by year,

in a very few of our churches. I propose to do away with this alternative, and to discontinue the practice. I recognize with thankfulness the loving wisdom of the Church, that looses not her hold on the regenerate child, until, through godly sponsors, he is brought to the Bishop to be confirmed, after assurance given that "he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, and is sufficiently instructed in the other parts of the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose." Such "*sufficient instruction*" being a different thing from the mere "saying" of the Creed, etc., and concerning itself with matters of such supreme moment to the soul as repentance, and faith, and our duty towards God and towards man, and what the one Sacrament is and binds us do, and what the other Sacrament is and requires for its right reception,—such "*sufficient instruction*," rightly apprehended and personally welcomed by the soul, the Church deems a sufficient preparation for Confirmation, as also for the Holy Communion, to which through this rite, and no other, she admits her self-examining, truly repenting, steadfastly purposing, and heartily believing children. And I also recognize with clearness the desire of the Church to make the reception of this rite a very different thing from the formal ceremony of the corrupt Church before the Reformation. Twice over she insists that the rite is for those "who are come to years of discretion." Not only must they have an intellectual knowledge of certain doctrines and duties, but, having learned what their Baptism means and binds them to, they must exercise this discretion, and themselves, "with their own mouth and consent, openly before the Church, ratify and confirm the same, and also promise that by the grace of God they will evermore endeavor themselves faithfully to observe such things as they, by their own confession, have assented unto." I believe it to be of exceeding moment to the after-life of the Christian, how intelligently and understandingly, as well as penitently and believingly, he takes upon himself the vows of his Christian calling. Many may be willing to be taught and to be confirmed at twelve years of age; more still at nine; nearly all at seven,—unless sober-minded parents interpose: but very few of them all have reached such "years of discretion" that they are equal to so solemn a decision, or comprehend its obligations. Unless "Infant Communion" is to be restored, we ought not to

look towards Infant Confirmation. In our Mother Church the Bishops generally decline confirming those under fourteen, if I am informed aright. It is perhaps as safe a rule as any, if there may be occasional exceptions; for some at thirteen are as well fitted as others at sixteen, in respect of discretion as well as of personal piety. For myself, while believing the age of fourteen and upwards to be the more suitable and promising age, I can content my conscience with saying that I shall have no scruple in the confirmation of candidates of twelve years,—our Blessed Lord's age at His first passover,—if the Pastor himself is assured of their spiritual fitness; but that I must and hereby do enjoin it upon the honor and the conscience of my Clergy to bring before me none under twelve, unless in some very exceptional case, and after full consultation with me before the Visitation occurs. I am sure that my devout co-workers in the Ministry will respect my conscience, as I respect theirs.

In accordance with a hearty suggestion of the Lambeth Conference, the Presiding Bishop and several of the senior Bishops of the Church have proposed that the Sunday after the Festival of the Ascension—the 21st inst.—be observed this year as a day of Intercession for Missions throughout the world. I should be glad to have the Convention express its mind in this matter; and, if favorable, I will set forth at once a suitable Service for the occasion.

Your Committee of last year, from whom emanated the very able and much-commended "Report on Divorce," stood by your President in pleading before a Committee of the Legislature for a change for the better in our laws; but to no avail. I do not know that we have any further duty in the premises just at present. I rejoice to know that some of our Clergy (I fear, not many) accepted the suggestion of "the New England Divorce Reform League," and united with many other ministers on a set day, in preaching on this growing sin. The Rev. Samuel W. Dike, the able and intelligent Secretary of the League, can greatly aid—though not cheer—such of our good men as feel it their duty to understand and to withstand this frightfully growing sin of our times and our land.

I return to my record to say that I think as much work has been done by myself as in any former year of my Episcopate.

But during nearly three months of the year, in the autumn, my work was marred, and partly arrested, by serious bronchial ailments, brought on by overwork when physically disabled. At one time I feared the necessity of a temporary change of climate; but God was better to me than I had been to myself, and by Christmas-tide I was fully restored. I refer to the fact to record God's goodness in granting me a term of service for eight and a half years with scarcely a break in it caused by ill health. And I would also enforce on my brethren in the Ministry, as often heretofore, the duty of taking conscientious care of the health which God has given them, and without which they cannot exercise the Ministry intrusted to them. Accept, dear brethren, my heartfelt and conscientious counsel, and improve upon my example.

It has pleased God to call from their earthly labors to their everlasting rewards two of our faithful ministers. The Rev. John Seeley Stone, D.D., Emeritus Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, died at Cambridge within the precincts of the School, Jan. 12 of the present year, nearly eighty-seven years of age. What a period in the history of the Church and nation those years span! When he was born, this national Church had been organized only six years, and had four Bishops and about two hundred Clergy, instead of the sixty-five Bishops and thirty-four hundred Clergy of the present year. When he was a strong youth of nineteen he was gaining his first sight of Boston, as an enlisted soldier from his native Berkshire, marching hither in 1814 for the defence of Boston against the possible attack by the troops of King George the Third. In 1826 — before a good many of us who are not young were born — he was an ordained minister of this Church. From that time almost to this, he set forth the Gospel of Christ with a charm and a power rarely surpassed; and he lived as he preached all these years. Fifteen years ago he was elected Dean of the new Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge; and that Institution owes much of its present vigor and success to his controlling influence. At fourscore he withdrew from this responsible and arduous office, and rested, waiting upon God.

The Rev. Julius Henry Waterbury, Rector of St. Matthew's, Worcester, and Missionary at Cherry Valley, died suddenly, as it seemed to his friends, on Good Friday last. At my visitation of

his parish early in Lent, I first became aware of his serious disability, and easily procured from his kindly Vestry a month's vacation for him. But it was the beginning of the end, although not so understood by any of us. He declined rapidly until Good Friday, when, at the hour of his Saviour's death, he went to be with Him in Paradise. He was a hard worker in many fields, being more of a pioneer and church-builder than most men are. The Church owes much to him for his books and labors in behalf of sacred song. It was the joy of his life, and won him many friends in many of our churches. His earnest spirit, warm heart, transparent frankness, genial temper, and constant labors for the Church, will long be remembered among us.

I cannot delay you with mentioning as fully as I would the loss which the Church has sustained in the death of the godly and learned Bishop Kerfoot, the first Bishop of Pittsburgh. He not only laid broad and solid foundations, but lived to see a large superstructure thereon; and, whoever may succeed him as the generations of master-workmen come and go, the solid worth of that founder's name and worth never can be disparaged. One other name only, outside of our diocesan bounds, can I mention, — the Rev. Dr. John Cotton Smith, learned and godly; fearless and gentle; large-hearted and broad-minded; master of the new learning, but loyal to evangelical truth as distinguished from rationalistic or materialistic speculations and criticism; a Christian philosopher whose profound and clear thinking helped to strip respectability and influence from the superficial and conceited originality and great swelling words of some who are ever declaring how grievously "thinkers" are oppressed by the narrowness of "the Faith once delivered," and are striving mightily to stretch the limits of allowed belief until all their new discoveries of stale old heresies concerning the Inspiration of the Word of God, the Atoning Sacrifice, the value of Miracles and Prophecy, the Sacraments, and the Final Doom of wilful sinners, shall find room and appreciative welcome. John Cotton Smith, the admirable scholar, preacher, pastor, was well-nigh one of our own diocesan family. The beautiful Ascension Church, Ipswich, shows how "he loved our nation, and built us a synagogue;" for it is largely his work, and many hundreds of dollars were his personal gift. "Brier Hill," Ipswich, was the summer field where, under grace, were grown many delightful

and nutritious fruits; and Ascension Church, Ipswich, was the oratory where first the blessing was sought, and, later on, the harvest fruits were brought for consecration.

I dare not swerve from my general rule, and make full mention of godly laymen who have left us. But having worshipped recently within that beautiful wooden Church at Natick, and within the exquisite stone Church at Framingham, into which the pious Architect built his means, his tears, and his sacred memories, and also within that grander and most satisfying temple at Newton, where the setting sun fills all the nave with heavenly coloring when Evening Prayer is said, I cannot help feeling the loss which the Church has sustained in the death of Alexander R. Esty, — the builder of them all. And what shall I say of Enoch Redington Mudge, our great-hearted, loving, laborious, munificent layman? “*Si monumentum requiris, circumspice.*” In the Missions of the city and of the Diocese, in our Charities, in our Standing Committee, in the General Convention, in the almost unparalleled munificence of the monumental Church at Lynn, *everywhere and in countless ways*, has this devout and benevolent man wrought for Christ and the Church, and the good of his fellow-men. “The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.” Let his memory be to us all, in its strength and cheer, like the bread from a golden paten and the wine from a golden chalice, not only light and glory, but meat and drink indeed, through the power of a holy example, and the grace of God shed abroad in a life of personal consecration.

Since we last met in Convention, I have made 137 official Visitations of Parishes, besides taking part in 32 Services on occasions of Ordination, Consecration, Convocation, and the like, and in 49 other services of only ordinary clerical duty: in all 218. Examinations, Trustee and Committee meetings, and the like, — often large consumers of time, — have required my presence on 88 occasions. On 121 different occasions (public or private), I have confirmed 1,114 persons.

The places and numbers are as follows: —

Newton (Two Visitations)	11	Springfield	17
West Newton and Auburndale	3	Northampton	1
Chelsea (Two Visitations)	16	Amherst	5
Malden (Two Visitations)	18	Greenfield	1
Westfield	3	North Andover	1

Gloucester	4	Marblehead	4
Lawrence, Grace	21	Lynn (Two Visitations)	35
Lawrence, St. John's	20	South Boston, Grace	8
Hanover	1	Boston, Good Shepherd	22
Weymouth	7	Lowell, St. John's	11
Danvers	6	Lowell, St. Anne's	25
Peabody	8	Lowell, House of Prayer	9
Millville	6	Worcester, All Saints'	28
Wilkinsonville	6	Dedham, Good Shepherd	10
Millbury	5	Quincy	12
Wood's Holl	2	Dorchester, St. Mary's	9
Nantucket	8	Dedham, St. Paul's	8
Ipswich	5	Webster	8
Lenox	1	Worcester, St. Matthew's	10
Lanesborough	2	Woburn	8
Adams	1	Somerville, Emmanuel	4
North Adams	8	East Somerville, St. Thomas's	12
Van Dusen'sville	5	Cambridge, St. John's Memorial,	14
Great Barrington	7	Cambridge, Christ Church	14
Stockbridge	5	Salem, St. Peter's	9
Wrentham	2	Waltham, Christ Church	6
Swansea	1	West Somerville	2
Fall River, Ascension (Two Visitations)	26	Salem, Grace	10
Fall River, St. John's	11	Boston, Emmanuel	21
Rochdale	7	Boston, St. Mark's	11
Cherry Valley	4	Brookline	14
New Bedford, Grace	12	Longwood	8
New Bedford, St. James's	28	Boston, Trinity	49
North Attleborough	5	Boston, Messiah	16
Wakefield (Two Visitations)	11	Andover	7
Boston, House of the Good Samaritan	1	Methuen	14
East Boston	12	Boston, St. Paul's	11
Beverly	7	Boston Highlands, St. John's	9
Boston, Advent (Three Visitations)	67	Boston, Christ Church	15
Newton Lower Falls	5	Plymouth	7
Dorchester, All Saints'	7	Charlestown	20
Hyde Park	4	Boston Highlands, St. James's	22
Dorchester, St. Anne's	13	Cambridge, St. Peter's	16
Boston, St. Luke's Home	3	Boston, St. Mary's for Sailors	4
Cambridge, Ascension	12	Natick	8
Cambridge, St. James's	2	Framingham	3
Jamaica Plain	10	Taunton, St. Thomas's	9
Melrose	4	Taunton, St. John's	12
Brighton	2	Medford	3
		Arlington	9
		Fitchburg	16
		Southborough	3

Amesbury	14	South Groveland	14
Newburyport	8	Haverhill, St. John the Evangel-	
Boston, Evangelists'	8	ist's	4
South Boston, St. Matthew's	6	Haverhill, Trinity	14

The Journal of my other official acts, with such lists as are called for by the canons, or may be useful, I append to this Address; but shall not weary you by its recital. Any portion of it, however, may be called for. I epitomize from it as follows:—

Confirmations — (number of Administrations)	121
Confirmations — (number confirmed)	1,114
Celebrations of the Holy Communion	24
Sermons preached	159
Addresses delivered	130
Catechisings and Sunday-School Addresses	14
Public Services (not recorded above)	15
Examinations, Trustee and Committee Meetings, etc.	88
Burials	5
Lay Readers licensed (from Advent to Advent)	35
Postulants	2
Candidates for Deacon's Orders (admitted, 2), present number	2
Candidates for Priest's Orders (admitted or received, 13), present number	29
Ordinations (Deacons, 8; Priests, 8)	16
Clergymen deceased	2
Clergymen received	14
Clergymen transferred	5
Clergymen, present number (Bishop, 1; Priests, 152; Deacons, 9)	162
Corner-stones laid	4
Churches or Chapels in building	7
Churches consecrated	2
Churches or Chapels opened without Consecration	2
Bishops-elect, consent given	1

There are, as usual, some tangible and material tokens of prosperity in the Churches of the Diocese during the last year, such as debts cancelled, improvements made, and new buildings erected. Of the two former items I do not generally know all that might be said, as I may not hear of changes occurring after the date of my Visitation of the Parish. But among the notable good things are the removal of all indebtedness of Christ Church, Hyde Park, upwards of \$1,000, with a handsome balance on hand for improvements; the final payments on St. John's, Arlington, amounting to \$900, thus freeing the Church for consecration; the successful

effort at St. Thomas's, Taunton, which sweeps off the last dollar of a debt of about \$5,600; the excellent success of the young St. John's, Fall River, in raising \$3,200, and leaving the parish free of all pecuniary obligations. St. Paul's, Holyoke, by the removal of \$2,500 indebtedness on the Church, stands free, and is now building an excellent Rectory. St. John's, Northampton, with great honor to itself and its friends has cleared off its entire debt of \$3,500; Christ Church, Rochdale, has paid \$500 on its small debt; Christ Church, Waltham, has paid \$500 on its small indebtedness for the Rectory.

Several Parishes have notably improved their Church property. St. Paul's, Nantucket, remote and feeble, has nevertheless expended \$200 on permanent improvements. St. James's, South Groveland, has painted its Church without, and decorated it within, at a cost of over \$400; and through the munificent bequest of E. J. M. Hale, Esq., ever its bountiful parishioner, it has received the formal gift of the excellent Rectory, an annuity of several hundred dollars, and an assured fund in the near future of \$10,000. St. John's, Boston Highlands, has built a tower, and gained greatly by the outlay of \$3,000, nearly one-half of which is paid. Trinity, Melrose, has wisely expended nearly \$400. Trinity, Milford, has made improvements. St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls, has expended \$700. St. James's, North Cambridge, has raised \$900 towards a new Parish House, laid out \$200 on its Chapel at West Somerville, and \$500 on its Parish Church. St. James's, Amesbury, recently so feeble, has expended nearly \$1,000 on needed repairs and in the construction of new rooms for Parish and Sunday-School uses. Grace Church, North Attleborough, has improved its Rectory. The venerable St. Paul's, Newburyport, has laid out \$750 with admirable judgment and taste, renewing — not destroying — the old-time characteristics. A large and beautiful organ, costing \$2,700, has been placed with noble bounty in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham. St. John's, North Adams, has wisely expended \$2,700 on repairs and decoration of its beautiful Church.

The year has been marked by progress in new buildings for the Church. In St. Peter's, Beverly, excellent lots have been secured, and the funds raised to build a Rectory. St. Mark's, Southborough, has added a transept to its Church at a cost of \$1,900. Christ

Church, Fitchburg, has secured a handsome fund for the erection of a Parish House and Chapel. St. Paul's, North Andover, has built a beautiful rural Church, costing \$8,500, which awaits consecration. That most venerable old Parish, St. Michael's, Marblehead, has enlarged its Chapel, and made it new, at a cost of \$1,100. Emmanuel, Wakefield, has finished its good work, laying out about \$5,000; and the Church has been consecrated. Grace Church, New Bedford, with a Chapel by its side, is finished, at a cost of \$45,000, and will be consecrated probably during the autumn. The stone Chapel for the Church of the Messiah, Auburn-dale, is now in use, but is not free from debt. Ascension Mission, Waltham, has built a large Church on an excellent lot, at a cost of \$9,000; and the day is fixed for its consecration. St. Mark's, Adams, is completing a stone Church and Chapel, of exceeding beauty, at a cost of \$31,000; and the day is fixed for its consecration. So also for the excellent brick Church of the Atonement, Westfield, finished last year, but only lately fully paid for at a cost of \$6,200. The new Church at Chelmsford makes slow progress. Grace Church, Medford, is building a stone Parish House and Chapel at a cost of about \$5,000. St. John's, Jamaica Plain, is now building a Church and Chapel of great beauty, to cost \$36,000. The new Church of the Advent, Boston, has made progress, and will be completed before another winter. St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn, with its Chapel, is completed, at a cost, presumably, of a quarter of a million dollars, and has been consecrated; my Right Reverend brother Bishop Huntington, whose praise is in all of our Churches and who was once a fellow-worker among us, preaching the consecration sermon. The perfection and beauty of this noble temple—ever to be regarded as a Memorial to him, our noble and consecrated layman, who only intended it as a remembrance of his sainted children—are too well known to need mention. The whole undertaking reflects great honor on the *Parish* as well as on the munificent man; for the Parish did its part with much wisdom and with offerings and sacrifices for the work that were far from costing it nothing. At the late Easter Day Mr. Mudge's last gift, which he was not to see, was placed upon the Altar,—a Communion Service of solid gold.

I cannot help saying that there yet remains to be built in Boston

the Diocesan Church House, for which, with large annual cost and only partial accommodations, our Episcopal Church Rooms are the substitute. I do not think I was presumptuous in always half-expecting that our godly layman, of whom I have just spoken, who so much “walked with God,” and who “is not, for God took him,” would be sooner or later its chief builder. But God has left us other laymen abundantly able to do such a work, whose name such a House might well render of lasting fragrance and honor. One mighty Parish of this city could do it; and it would be none too large a thank-offering to God for its abounding strength, happiness, and prosperity. Three united Churches certainly might, if they would. I trust that the Convention will keep up its Committee on the subject, and not let the Churches or Churchmen forget their duty.

It is a happiness to report our charitable Institutions and Societies in good condition. The Church Home for Orphans, St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, the Clerical Fund, the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, have all received bequests during the last year. Their needs are still great, — from the nature of the case ever increasing, — and they call for more hearty interest on the part of *the living* than they receive. And here let me say to our representative men assembled in this Convention, that they can do a great favor to the Church Home for Orphans by remembering that, every year, some of the boys and girls reach the age when they must abandon the Home for early entrance on the earning of their bread. The Managers greatly prefer to find good Christian families who will take them into their service, and train them up to ways of virtue and usefulness. To discover such families, and make known to them the ability and wish of the Church Home, they need and ask for the co-operation of our clergy and laity throughout the Commonwealth. As to our Clerical Fund, or the Society for the Relief of our Aged or Sick Ministers, and our like Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of our Clergy, I can only wonder at — not satisfactorily explain — the general indifference on the part of clergy and people. Comparatively few offerings are received from the Churches, and the income is sadly below the necessities. The Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans is enabled, from invested bequests chiefly,

to take high rank as a Life-Insurance Society, and to accept a yearly payment of from five to twenty-five dollars from any clergyman of the Diocese, or from his Parish or friends in his behalf, and guarantee his heirs an annual return of five times the amount for twice as many years as he has been a member of the Society. Nor does non-payment work any loss of what has been paid heretofore; while from its Charity fund, for which the gifts of the Church are asked, it is quietly helping widows and orphans who have no such claim on its bounty. And yet few clergymen or Churches seem to know any thing of this old and admirable Charity. We all wonder tenderly what our families can do when death shall smite us down, and we more roughly declaim that the Church ought to pension the stricken families; but, when her best efforts so to do ask our co-operation, we pray to have ourselves excused. Even that mighty throb of the Church's heart that led it two years ago, in General Convention, to put up a unanimous appeal to our Clergy and Churches to tithe their Communion alms for the pious and charitable use of relieving the cold and hunger and nakedness and sickness in households of sick or deceased Ministers, — has met with the feeblest response, and tears and prayers are as yet unavailing.


Our missionary interests are in fairly good condition. I think that *the cause* in general owes a good deal to the ceaseless labor and interest of the Woman's Auxiliary, which, apart from its wonderful visible achievements, keeps the whole matter of Missions before the good people of the Diocese. Our Diocesan Board of Missions has made a great and wise step forward in the appointment of a General Missionary; who, with great zeal, wisdom, and success, is finding our scattered sheep everywhere. The Treasurer will report, I trust, a good financial condition.

It is a matter of deep regret with me that the scheme of the general Church for a "Church Building Fund" — which I have heretofore commended to the clergy and laity of this Diocese — awakens so little response. We do not know our ability or our true wisdom. The Methodists open a new church in the United States every day in the year, — more, I presume, now, for in the last two years they have built a hundred and twenty-five churches in Kansas alone; but they have a Building Fund ever increasing, and do not call off fifty missionaries a year from work in Kansas

to race and compete with each other over the land with rival subscription-books. All the large Denominations have Building Societies. "The Congregational Union" built forty-seven churches last year, and have undertaken to erect eighty-two during the present year. It has upwards of one million dollars now invested in church property which is worth three or four millions. Through these wise, economical, and efficient agencies, all the great Denominations distance us in their achievements; but in our mission-work probably some of us have the comfort of feeling that we stand in the very old paths, wearied and disheartened perhaps, but each little mission and parish independent, and each ordained preacher with his subscription-book in his hand.

"The Church Temperance Society," organized by zealous and wise men in some of our Dioceses, and in a very few Parishes of this Diocese, has not made the advance among us which I cordially wish it had made. I do not care to repeat what I said from this place last year; but it has my best wishes and prayers, and I shall rejoice if any labors of mine can forward its interests. It will come before you during our session.

A very important matter will ask your wise deliberation and action when the Committee on the subject of the Qualifications of the Clergy for voting in Convention make their report. In my judgment, Article II. of our Constitution needs amendment. Last year, in my recommendation of such change, I said that, "unless of late I had ventured to construe the clause more in accordance with the supposed intent of the law than with its exact phraseology, it would now be operating to keep out some and disfranchise others from the voting privilege whom the Convention probably had no thought of excluding." The mind of the Convention, however, was pretty clearly against such venturesome construction, and I at once resolved to fall back thenceforth on the literal wording of the text. Lest a few esteemed brethren, who would thus find their names removed from the voting list, should be taken by surprise, I communicated with all such last summer, and urged those having charge of Parishes independent of the Convention, to arrange for union with this body at this session of the Convention. Save in one instance, I am not aware that my suggestion has availed any thing. If those who are faithfully serving churches which are not canonically known to



the Diocese, and cannot be bounden by its diocesan legislation, or made responsible for the plans, burdens, and undertakings of the Diocese whose Episcopal oversight nevertheless they accept, and in some cases enjoy; if such godly ministers could persuade their churches to abandon their anomalous attitude, and canonically join the Diocese of Massachusetts; and then if our Constitution could deal a little more generously with the aged or sick who *have actually wrought* among us, but can do so no longer, and also with those workers who are merely *in transitu*, — there would be few found among the clergy who are disposed to devote all their time and labor to the care of souls, living among their people, and accepting the self-denials of a rarely well-paid ministry, who would not be among the voting members of the Convention. I trust that the wisdom of the Committee will open the way to judicious action at this session of the Convention.

By Article 12 of the Constitution it is made my duty to report to this Convention that Grace Church, Chicopee, having “neglected for three years in succession” to comply with any of the constitutional requirements therein laid down, has “forfeited its connection with the Convention,” and is “no longer entitled to representation in the same.” Unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, the force of this notice doubtless will be to cause the erasure of the name of this Parish from the list of Parishes in union with the Convention.

Dear Brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace as — under the invoked presence of His Holy Spirit — you proceed to the duties now devolving upon you as members of this Ninety-Second Annual Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

APPENDIX I.

L—HELPERS AND SEEKERS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY.

1. LAY READERS.

(Holding License until Advent, 1882.)

Thomas Mair.	Joseph M. Hubbard.
E. C. Millett.	John W. Suter.
William Bailey.	Albert S. Pillsbury.
Charles W. K. Morrill.	Charles L. Wells.
Henry M. Snell.	Julius W. Atwood.
Frank W. Baker.	Frank P. Hill.
George C. Tate.	Endicott Peabody.
Samuel Snelling.	Joseph A. Ticknor.
Henry W. Winkley.	Thomas W. Nickerson, Jr.
Edmund S. Rousmaniere.	Sherrard Billings.
Charles M. Addison.	Wilford L. Robbins.
Gustavus Tuckerman.	Howard N. Wakeman.
George R. Curwen.	William B. Trull.
J. D. W. French.	M. M. Goodwin.
John W. Young.	William H. Williams.
Alfred B. Nichols.	Walter B. Coburn.
Samuel F. Adam.	Carl O. Balch.
Ernest H. Mariett.	Clarence E. Kelley.

2. CANDIDATES FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

Charles W. K. Morrill	. . . . .	July	7, 1881
Arthur W. Eaton	. . . . .	Nov.	3, 1881

3. CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

Alfred F. Washburn (Deacon)	. . . . .	Admitted	Oct.	2, 1877
Francis G. Burgess	"	"	May	9, 1878
Samuel Hodgkiss	"	"	Sept.	17, 1878
Frederick W. Dennis	"	"	Oct.	1, 1878
Henry S. Nash	"	"	Jan.	7, 1879
Charles M. Addison	. . . . .	"	July	2, 1879
Julius W. Atwood	. . . . .	Received by Letters	Oct.	11, 1879
Benjamin S. Sanderson	. . . . .	Admitted	Oct.	18, 1879
Samuel Snelling	. . . . .	"	Nov.	4, 1879

Melville K. Bailey	Admitted Nov. 5, 1879
Charles L. Wells	" June 1, 1880
Henry R. Sargent	" Nov. 2, 1880
Charles J. Mason	" Nov. 2, 1880
Joseph A. Ticknor	" Nov. 2, 1880
Archibald L. Van Antwerp	" April 6, 1881
Endicott Peabody	" May 4, 1881
James O. Lincoln	" June 8, 1881
Thomas W. Nickerson, Jr.	" July 5, 1881
Frank W. Baker	" July 5, 1881
William S. Emery	" July 5, 1881
Wilford L. Robbins	" Nov. 26, 1881
Henry W. Winkley	" Dec. 7, 1881
John W. Suter	" Dec. 7, 1881
Robert E. Jones (Deacon)	Received by Letters Jan. 2, 1882
Sherrard Billings	Admitted Jan. 4, 1882
William Hyde	" Jan. 4, 1882
Thomas A. Hyde	" Jan. 4, 1882
Ernest H. Mariett	" March 8, 1882
Frank P. Hill	" April 6, 1882

II.—THE CLERGY RECORD.

1. CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

Consent Given.

Cortlandt Whitehead, S.T.D., to be Bishop of Pittsburg.

2. ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE.

- June 1, 1881. Frederick Ward Dennis, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Middletown, Conn.
- June 1, 1881. Francis Guild Burgess, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Middletown, Conn.
- June 15, 1881. Samuel Hodgkiss, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
- June 15, 1881. Henry Sylvester Nash, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
- June 15, 1881. James Edward Wilkinson, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
- June 15, 1881. Henry Herbert Smythe (for Southern Ohio), in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
- Nov. 14, 1881. Alfred Foster Washburn, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
- April 5, 1882. Robert Ellis Jones, in Christ Church, Plymouth.

3. ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

- June 10, 1881. David Jacob Ayers, in the Church of our Saviour, Longwood.
- June 10, 1881. Thomas White Nickerson, in the Church of our Saviour, Longwood.
- June 10, 1881. Edward Augustus Rand, in the Church of our Saviour, Longwood.

- June 10, 1881. Charles W. Duffield, in the Church of our Saviour, Longwood.
 June 10, 1881. Frank Hagar Bigelow, in the Church of our Saviour, Longwood.
 June 12, 1881. Augustine Heard Amory, in Grace Church, Lawrence.
 Oct. 29, 1881. Albert St. John Chambré, D.D., in the Church of the Ascension, Fall River.
 April 5, 1882. James Edward Wilkinson, in Christ Church, Plymouth.

4. RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

- July 14, 1881. J. Nelson Jones, from Fredericton.
 Sept. 1, 1881. Arthur W. Chapman (Deacon), from Huron.
 Sept. 6, 1881. Albert E. George, from Michigan.
 Sept. 28, 1881. John A. Bevington, from Minnesota.
 Oct., 1881. John S. Beers, from Central Pennsylvania.
 Nov. 16, 1881. Charles McI. Nicholson, from Central New York.
 Dec. 20, 1881. Jonas B. Clark, from Indiana.
 Jan. 9, 1882. Etienne T. Hamel, from Canterbury.
 Jan. 25, 1882. Samuel Edwards, from Central Pennsylvania.
 Feb. 1, 1882. Samuel H. Hilliard, from Pittsburg.
 Feb. 8, 1882. James M. Hillyar, from Ohio.
 Feb. 8, 1882. Harry I. Bodley, from Connecticut.
 March 15, 1882. Francis Mansfield, from Pennsylvania.
 May 1, 1882. Frederick Courtney, S.T.D., from Illinois.

5. TRANSFERRED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

- Sept. 16, 1881. Alvin B. Jennings to New York.
 Dec. 13, 1881. Benjamin F. Cooley to Dakota.
 Dec. 28, 1881. William J. Alger to South Carolina.
 Jan., 1882. Joseph W. Hill to New York.
 April, 1882. J. Nelson Jones to Rupert's Land.

6. DECEASED.

- Jan. 12, 1882. John Seeley Stone, D.D.
 April 7, 1882. Julius Henry Waterbury.

7. RESIGNATIONS.

- A. V. G. Allen, D.D., Chaplain, Insane Asylum, Somerville.
 A. H. Barrington, Officiating, St. John's, Fall River.
 David J. Ayers, Assistant, Our Saviour, Longwood.
 William J. Alger, Officiating, Trinity, Milford.
 Hiram Carleton, D.D., Rector, The Messiah, Wood's Holl.
 Joseph W. Hill, Assistant, The Advent, Boston.
 D'Estaing Jennings, Rector, Grace Church, Fiskdale.
 Henry L. Foote, Good Shepherd, Clinton.
 James A. Sanderson, Missionary, Christ Church, Plymouth.
 William W. Newton, Rector, St. Paul's, Boston.
 B. B. Killikelly, Missionary, The Evangelists', Boston.
 Reuben Kidner, Rector, Ascension, Ipswich.

F. H. Bigelow, Rector, St. Paul's, Natick.
Henry Burroughs, D.D., Rector, Christ Church, Boston.
F. S. Harraden, City Missionary, Boston.
Frederick W. Dennis, City Missionary, Boston.
J. Nelson Jones, Missionary, St. Paul's, Brockton.
W. C. Winslow, Chaplain, St. Luke's Home, Boston.
James B. Wasson, Rector, St. John's, North Adams.
William H. Munroe, Rector, St. John's, East Boston.

8. ELECTIONS OR APPOINTMENTS.

David J. Ayers, Assistant, St. Anne's, Lowell.
Arthur H. Barrington, Rector, Grace Church, Fiskdale.
J. Nelson Jones, Missionary, Brockton.
Arthur W. Chapman, Minister, St. James's, Amesbury.
James E. Wilkinson, Missionary, Christ Church, Plymouth.
Samuel Hodgkiss, Missionary, Emmanuel Church, Wakefield.
Frederick W. Dennis, City Missionary, St. Matthew's, South Boston.
Henry S. Nash, Assistant, Christ Church, Waltham.
Henry E. Cotton, Rector, Christ Church, Quincy.
Henry L. Foote, Rector, St. Paul's, Holyoke.
Reuben Kidner, Assistant, Trinity, Boston.
William W. Newton, Rector, St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
Samuel Edwards, Rector, Trinity, Milford, and Missionary, Christ Church, Medway.
S. S. Spear, Rector, St. John's, Fall River.
John S. Beers, General Missionary of the Diocese.
E. T. Hamel, Officiating, Good Shepherd, Clinton.
John A. Bevington, Assistant, Good Shepherd, Boston.
Charles McI. Nicholson, Rector, Messiah, Wood's Holl.
William H. Munroe, Rector, Christ Church, Boston.
James M. Hillyar, City Missionary, St. Mary for Sailors, Boston.
F. S. Harraden, Rector, St. Paul's, Natick, and St. John's, Framingham.
Nathan H. Chamberlain, in charge, St. John's, East Boston.
Henry A. Metcalf, Rector, Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale.
Harry I. Bodley, Rector, St. John's, North Adams.
Henry H. Smythe, Rector, St. Mark's, Adams.
Robert E. Jones, Missionary, Williamstown.
Frederick Courtney, S.T.D., Rector, St. Paul's, Boston.
Alfred F. Washburn, City Missionary, St. Matthew's, South Boston.

APPENDIX II.

JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

1881.

- May 18.** 9 A.M. : Trinity Chapel, Boston; opened, and presided at the preliminary meeting for organization of the Ninety-first Annual Convention of the Diocese. At 10 o'clock in Trinity Church took part in the Opening Services of Convention, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Later, at the Chapel, presided at the meeting to complete the organization. Presided at the afternoon session also at the same place, and delivered my Eighth Annual Address.
- " 19. A.M.: After Morning Prayer at Trinity Church, presided at the business session of Convention in the Chapel; also at the final session in the afternoon.
- " 20. Boston; First Examination of several candidates for Orders.
- " 21. Boston; Second Examination of these and other candidates.
- " 22. Fifth Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Grace, Newton; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them. P.M.: Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 23. Boston; Third Examination of candidates for Orders.
- " 24. A.M.: Boston; Meeting of the Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School. Evening: St. Luke's, Chelsea; confirmed 2 in private, briefly addressing them; and 7 at the Church, preaching, and making an address.
- " 26. Ascension Day, A.M.: St. Paul's, Malden; confirmed 5; preaching, and addressing them. At noon: Confirmed 1 in private.
- " 27. Evening: Atonement, Westfield; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 29. Sunday after Ascension, A.M.: Christ, Springfield; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them. Evening: St. Paul's, Holyoke; preached; the parish vacant.
- " 30. Evening: St. John's, Northampton; preached, and confirmed 1. Had a conference with the Vestry.
- June 1.** A.M.: Holy Trinity, Middletown, Conn.; ordained to the Diaconate F. W. Dennis and F. G. Burgess, graduates of the Berkeley Divinity School; the Bishop of Connecticut also ordaining his candidates; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

- June 2. Evening: Grace, Amherst; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 3. Evening: St. John's, Ashfield; preached.
- " 5. Whit-Sunday, A.M.: St. James's, Greenfield; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them. Evening: Preached at Turner's Falls.
- " 7. A.M.: Tuesday in Whitsun-week, Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Annual Examinations. P.M.: Boston; Third Examination of a candidate. Later: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 8. A.M.: Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; Annual Examinations. P.M.: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 9. A.M.: Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; Annual Examinations.
- " 10. A.M.: Our Saviour, Longwood; ordination to the Priesthood of D. J. Ayers, F. H. Bigelow, E. A. Rand, C. W. Duffield, and T. W. Nickerson, the Rev. George S. Converse preaching the sermon; celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 11. St. Barnabas, evening: Mission, North Andover; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 12. Trinity Sunday, A.M.: Grace, Lawrence; Morning Prayer. Later: Preached; confirmed 21, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: St. John's; preached; confirmed 20, and addressed them.
- " 13. Evening: St. John's, Gloucester; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 14. P.M.: Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School; and, later, joint meeting of the Visitors and Trustees.
- " 15. A.M.: Cambridge; informal meeting of the Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School. Later: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; ordained to the Diaconate S. Hodgkiss, J. E. Wilkinson, H. S. Nash; also H. H. Smythe for the Bishop of Southern Ohio; celebrated the Holy Communion; the Rev. Dr. Dix preached the sermon.
- " 16. A.M.: St. Mary's, Dorchester; Southern Convocation; celebrated the Holy Communion. Noon: Presided at a business meeting. P.M.: Presided at a meeting for discussion.
- " 18. Evening: St. Andrew's, Hanover; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 19. 1st Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Mission, Hingham; preached. P.M.: Trinity, Weymouth; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 21. Evening: Calvary, Danvers; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 22. Evening: St. Paul's Mission, Peabody; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 26. 2d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. John's, Millville; preached. P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: Preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 27. P.M.: St. John's, Wilkinsonville; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them. Evening: Mission, Millbury; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.

- June 28. Hartford, Conn.: Executive Committee of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry. Presided at the Annual Meeting of the Society. Later: Second meeting of the Committee.
- " 29. A.M.: Trinity College, Hartford; Annual Meeting of the Corporation. P.M.: Second session. Later: Conference of a Committee of the Trustees, and one of the House of Convocation.
- July 1. Evening: Messiah, Wood's Holl; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 3. 3d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Nantucket; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 10. 4th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: York Harbor, Me.; service and sermon.
- " 17. 5th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: York Harbor, Me.; service and sermon.
- " 24. 6th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: York Harbor, Me.; service and sermon.
- " 31. 7th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Andrew's-by-the-Sea, Rye Beach, N.H.; service and sermon. P.M.: Evening prayer.
- Aug. 7. 8th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: York Harbor, Me.; early celebration of the Holy Communion. Later: Service and sermon.
- " 21. 10th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: York Harbor, Me.; service and sermon.
- " 28. 11th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: York Harbor, Me.; service and sermon.
- Sept. 4. 12th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: York Harbor, Me.; early celebration of the Holy Communion. Later: Service and sermon.
- " 11. 13th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Ascension, Ipswich; preached. Evening: Preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 16. A.M.: Trinity, Boston; confirmed 1. P.M.: Informal meeting of the Episcopal City Mission Executive Committee.
- " 18. 14th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Trinity, Lenox; preached, and confirmed 1. Evening: St. Stephen's, Pittsfield; preached; the parish vacant.
- " 19. P.M.: St. Luke's, Lanesborough; preached, and confirmed 2. Evening: St. Mark's, Adams; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 20. Evening: St. John's, North Adams; preached, and confirmed 3.
- " 21. Ember Day and St. Matthew's, evening: St. John's Mission, Williamstown; preached; also made an address on the death of the President of the United States. This was his College home.
- " 23. Evening: St. George's, Lee; preached. The parish being vacant, and having now called a Rector, I addressed the people on the Pastoral Relation.
- " 23. Ember Day, P.M.: St. Paul's, Otis; preached in this old and decayed parish. Evening: Mission, South Lee; preached.
- " 24. Ember Day, evening: Trinity, Van Deusenville; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 25. 15th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. James's, Great Barrington; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. Evening: Christ, Sheffield; preached.
- " 26. P.M.: St. James's, Great Barrington; *the Day of the Burial of the*

President of the United States: at the special service, made an address; and, later, at the Town Hall, at the meeting of the citizens, offered prayers. Evening: St. Paul's, Stockbridge; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.

Sept. 30. Boston; met a committee from a vacant Parish.

Oct. 4. St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; took part in the sad funeral of the late Enoch R. Mudge.

" 5. Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.

" 13. A.M.: Trinity, Monroe, Mich.; took part in the 25th Anniversary services of the parish. P.M.: Made an address at the continued commemoration.

" 16. 18th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Christ Church, Detroit, Mich.; addressed the Sunday school; later, assisted and preached. Evening: Preached. It was a great joy to meet my dear friends and parishioners again after so long absence, and I thanked God for His gracious providence.

" 18. St. Luke's, A.M.: Christ Church, Detroit; celebrated the Holy Communion with my dear old flock. P.M.: Chapel of St. Luke's Home, Detroit; made an address at the Anniversary service.

" 19. P.M.: Christ Church Chapel, Detroit; made an address.

" 23. 19th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Trinity, Wrentham; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. P.M.: preached at the Mission in Franklin.

" 26-28. Attended the Church Congress in Providence, and on the last day made an address.

" 29. A.M.: Ascension, Fall River; ordained to the Priesthood the Rev. A. St. John Chambré, D.D., the Minister of that Church; celebrated the Holy Communion, and preached. P.M.: Christ, Swansea; preached, and confirmed 1.

" 30. 20th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them. P.M.: St. Mark's Mission; catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: St. John's, Fall River; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.

" 31. Boston; Quarterly Meeting of the Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.

Nov. 1. All Saints' Day: Boston; Annual Meeting of the Episcopal Church Association; no quorum.

" 2. A.M.: St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; consecrated the noble edifice, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Bishop Huntington preached the sermon.

" 3. P.M.: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge: made an address at the matriculation of the new students of the Episcopal Theological School.

" 4. Evening: Trinity, Milford; preached.

" 6. 21st Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Christ, Rochdale; preached, confirmed 7, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Grace, Oxford; preached.

" 8. Evening: Mission, Cherry Valley; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.

" 9. Evening: St. James's, Greenfield: *Thirteenth Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting*; presided, the Rev. D. G. Anderson preaching.

- Nov. 10.** A.M.: St. James's, Greenfield; celebrated the Holy Communion, and delivered an address. P.M.: Presided at the session for the discussion of Sunday-school topics. Evening: Presided at the Missionary Meeting, and made the closing address.
- " 13. 22d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Malden; confirmed 1 in private; afterwards, in the Church, preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them. Evening: Trinity, Boston; presided at and addressed a large Missionary Meeting under the auspices of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, the Venerable Archdeacon Kirkby preaching the sermon.
- " 14. A.M.: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; ordained to the Diaconate Alfred F. Washburn, Dr. W. R. Huntington preaching the sermon; celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Boston; Annual Meeting of the Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents. Evening: Executive Committee of the New England Divorce Reform League.
- " 15. Evening: Trinity, Boston; presided at the opening of the Missionary Conference of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church. The Bishop of Pennsylvania preached.
- " 16. A.M.: The Conference continued; celebrated the Holy Communion, and made an address; later, at Trinity Chapel, presided at the meeting for discussion. P.M.: Second meeting for discussion. Evening: In Trinity Church, a general Missionary Meeting.
- " 17. A.M.: At Trinity Chapel, after a brief opening service, presided at the third public meeting for discussion of missionary subjects. Evening: Trinity Church; presided, and made the closing address, at the general Missionary Meeting of the Conference. It is believed that much good resulted from these interesting and able presentations of the Church's great and ceaseless message.
- " 20. Sunday next before Advent, A.M.: Grace, New Bedford; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them. P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday school, and then confirmed 1 in private. Evening: St. James's; New Bedford; preached; confirmed 28, and addressed them.
- " 21. Evening: Grace, North Attleborough; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 22. P.M.: Church Home for Orphans, South Boston; Annual Meeting of the Corporation and friends.
- " 27. 1st Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Emmanuel, Wakefield; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. P.M.: House of the Good Samaritan, Boston; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 28. Boston: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission. P.M.: Church of the Advent, Boston; opening of the Eastern Convocation; later, presided at the business session of the same. Evening: Meeting for addresses.
- " 29. Evening: Grace, Utica, N.Y.; assisted at the opening services of the General Missionary Conference of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.
- " 30. St. Andrew's, A.M.: In the same Church, assisted in the celebration of the Holy Communion; later, public missionary discussion. P.M.: Chapel of Grace Church; address at the meeting

of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese. Evening: Trinity, Utica, N.Y.; missionary address.

- Dec. 1. A.M.: Grace Church, Utica; public discussion of missionary topics.
- " 4. 2d Sunday in Advent, A.M.: St John's, East Boston; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Peter's, Beverly; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 5. P.M.: For the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston; confirmed 1 in private.
- " 6. Boston; meeting in behalf of a Church Temperance movement.
- " 7. Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions. Later, adjourned Annual Meeting of the Episcopal City Mission Society.
- " 8. Like meeting of the Episcopal Church Association.
- " 9. P.M.: Church of the Advent, Boston; confirmed 2, one being for the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston.
- " 11. 3d Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Chapel of Wellesley College; held full services, and preached. P.M.: St. Mary's Chapel, Newton Lower Falls; catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Later, St. Mary's Church; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 12. Christ Church, Cambridge; confirmed 1 in private.
- " 15. A.M.: Emmanuel, Wakefield; consecrated the Church, preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 18. 4th Sunday in Advent, A.M.: All Saints', Dorchester; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. Evening: Advent, Boston; preached; confirmed 31, and addressed them.
- " 21. Boston: Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission; informal.
- " 25. Christmas evening: St. John's, Boston Highlands; assisted, and made an address.
- " 27. St. John the Evangelist, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; assisted in the Burial Office.
- " 28. The Innocents, P.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; address at the Festival of the Sunday school. Evening: St. John's, Charlestown; address at a like Festival.
- " 30. Boston; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.

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- Jan. 1. Sunday after Christmas, and the Circumcision: Officiated at St. Paul's, Boston, and preached, both morning and afternoon. The parish is now vacant. Evening: St. Luke's, Chelsea; confirmed 1 in private, and afterwards preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 3. P.M.: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 5. P.M.: Boston; Quarterly Meeting of Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.
- " 6. Epiphany, A.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; services and sermon.
- " 7. Boston; Trustees of the Church Home for Orphans.
- " 8. 1st Sunday after the Epiphany, A.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; preached. Noon: Informal meeting with the Vestry. P.M.: Preached.
- " 10. Evening: Christ Church, Waltham; made an address in behalf of the Girls' Friendly Society.

- Jan. 11. A.M.:** St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; funeral of Mrs. E. R. Mudge, buried so soon by the side of her husband, in the garth of the beautiful Church.
- " 15. 2d Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: Christ Church, Hyde Park; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them. Noon: Catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: St. Anne's Chapel, Dorchester; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 16. P.M.: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; assisted at the funeral of the Rev. J. S. Stone, D.D., and made an address.
- " 20. P.M.: St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston; preached, and confirmed 3.
- " 21. P.M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the City Mission.
- " 22. 3d Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: Ascension, East Cambridge; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them. Noon: Catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: St. James's, North Cambridge; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 26. P.M.: Boston; opened and addressed the meeting of the Managers of the Girls' Friendly Society. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; presided at and addressed a meeting in behalf of the Domestic Department of the Woman's Auxiliary.
- " 27. Evening: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 29. 4th Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: Trinity, Melrose; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them. Evening: St. Margaret's, Brighton; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 30. Boston; A.M.: Annual meeting of the Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School. P.M.: Presided at Conference of Clergymen and Laymen on the Church Temperance question.
- Feb. 1. P.M.:** Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: Address at the opening of a temperance coffee-house.
- " 2. The Purification, P.M.: Opening of the rebuilt Chapel, St. Michael's, Marblehead; made an address. Evening: In the Church; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 5. A.M.: St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; preached, and confirmed 8. The severest snowstorm for years. Evening: Grace Church, South Boston; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 8. Evening: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached; confirmed 20, and addressed them.
- " 11. P.M.: Emmanuel, Chelmsford; preached.
- " 12. Sexagesima, A.M.: St. John's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them. P.M.: St. Anne's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 25, and addressed them. Evening: House of Prayer, Lowell; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 15. A.M.: New York; "Board of Appointment of the Bishop Paddock Lectureship of the General Theological Seminary." P.M.: Futile attempt at a meeting of the General Convention Committee on the Relations of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestries.
- " 17. P.M.: New York; Committee of the Trustees and Convocation of Trinity College.
- " 19. Quinquagesima, A.M.: Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights; addressed the Sunday school; preached in behalf of the Society for the

Increase of the Ministry. Evening: St. Andrew's, Harlem; preached for the same society.

- Feb. 20. New Haven, Conn.; P.M.: Committee of Trustees of Trinity College.
- " 21. Evening: All Saints', Worcester; preached; confirmed 27, and addressed them; afterwards confirmed 1 more.
- " 22. Ash-Wednesday, evening: Good Shepherd, Dedham; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 23. Evening: St. Paul's, Dedham; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 24. A.M.: State House, Boston; pleaded before a committee of the Legislature in behalf of the Divorce Memorial of our last Convention.
- " 26. 1st Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Christ Church, Quincy; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them. Evening: St. Mary's, Dorchester; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 27. St. Paul's, Boston; address at the noon service.
- " 28. P.M.: Grace, Newton; confirmed 3, and preached.
- March 1. Ember Day, evening: Church of the Reconciliation, Webster; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 2. P.M.: Chapel of All Saints', Worcester; preached. Evening: St. Matthew's, Worcester; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 3. Ember Day, evening: Trinity, Woburn; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 4. Ember Day: St. Paul's, Boston; assisted at the noon service. P.M.: Ascension Mission, Waltham; laid the corner-stone of the new Church, and made an address.
- " 5. 2d Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Emmanuel, Somerville; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them. P.M.: St. Thomas's, East Somerville; catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: Same church; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 6. St. Paul's, Boston; preached at the noon service.
- " 7. Evening: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 8. Evening: Christ Church, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 9. Evening: St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; preached; confirmed 27, and addressed them.
- " 10. Evening: St. Peter's, Salem; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them; later, confirmed 1 in private at the City Hospital.
- " 12. 3d Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Christ Church, Waltham; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them. P.M.: Ascension Mission, Waltham; preached.
- " 13. Tremont Temple, Boston; addressed a public meeting on the question of polygamy in Utah.
- " 14. Hartford, Trinity College; meeting of the Trustees.
- " 15. Evening: St. James's Chapel, West Somerville; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 17. Evening: Grace, Salem; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.

- March 18. St. Paul's, Boston; assisted at the noon service.
- " 19. 4th Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Emmanuel, Boston; celebrated the Holy Communion; later, preached; confirmed 21, and addressed them. Evening: St. Mark's, Boston; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 20. St. Paul's, Boston; preached at the noon service.
- " 22. Evening: St. Paul's, Brookline; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 23. Evening: Emmanuel, Wakefield; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 24. Evening: Our Saviour, Longwood; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 26. 5th Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Trinity, Boston; preached; confirmed 48, and addressed them. Evening: Messiah, Boston; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them.
- " 27. St. Paul's, Boston; preached at the noon service.
- " 28. St. Paul's, Boston; took part in the noon services at the unveiling of the mural monument for Dr. Vinton. Evening: Christ, Andover; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 29. Evening: St. Thomas's, Methuen; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 30. Boston; first Canonical Examination of two Candidates for Orders, and the *Special* of one of them.
- " 31. Second Canonical Examination of the same. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- April 2. 6th Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. John's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Christ Church, Boston; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 3. Monday before Easter: St. Paul's, Boston; preached at the noon service.
- " 4. Tuesday before Easter, evening: Christ Church, Plymouth; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 5. Wednesday before Easter, A.M.: Christ Church, Plymouth; ordained James Edward Wilkinson to the Priesthood, and Robert Ellis Jones to the Diaconate; preaching, and celebrating the Holy Communion.
- " 6. Evening, Thursday before Easter: St. John's, Charlestown; preached; confirmed 20, and addressed them.
- " 8. Easter Even: St. James's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 22, and addressed them.
- " 9. Easter Day, A.M.: St. Peter's, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Mary for Sailors, Boston; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 10. Easter Monday, P.M.: The Messiah, Boston; Funeral of the Rev. J. H. Waterbury, with an address.
- " 15. Evening: St. Paul's, Natick; confirmed 1 in private.
- " 16. Sunday after Easter, A.M.: St. Paul's, Natick; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. P.M.: St. John's, Framingham; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. Evening: St. Paul's, Natick; preached.

- April 17. Boston: Annual Meeting of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society. Later: meeting of the Trustees. P.M.: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; laid the corner-stone of the new Church, and made an address.
- " 18. Evening: St. Thomas's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 19. Evening: St. John's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 20. P.M.: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 21. Evening: Church of the Advent, Boston; preached; confirmed 34, and addressed them.
- " 23. 2d Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Grace, Medford; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them; addressed the Sunday school. P.M.: Assisted at Evening Prayers. Evening: St. John's, Arlington; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 24. Evening: Christ Church, Fitchburg; preached; confirmed 16, and addressed them.
- " 25. St. Mark's Day: St. Mark's School, Southborough; Trustees. P.M.: St. Mark's Church; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 26. A.M.: St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; presided at and addressed Annual Meeting of the Girls' Friendly Society.
- " 27. Evening: Ascension, Fall River; *Fourteenth Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting*; confirmed 10, and addressed them; the Rev. Mr. Finch preaching an excellent missionary sermon.
- " 28. Same place and occasion, A.M.: Preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Presided at the Sunday-school Meeting. Evening: Presided at and briefly addressed the admirable Missionary Meeting.
- " 29. Evening: St. James's, Amesbury; met and addressed the Parishioners in the new Parish Rooms.
- " 30. 3d Sunday after Easter, A.M.: St. James's, Amesbury; preached; celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 14, and addressed them. P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: St. Paul's, Newburyport; held two private confirmations; and, in the Church, preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- May 1. St. Philip and St. James, Charlestown; read the Burial Office over the departed wife of our venerable brother, the Rector of St. John's, Charlestown.
- " 3. A.M.: Boston; adjourned meeting of the Trustees of St. Mark's School, Southborough. Evening: Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 5. Evening: St. Matthew's, South Boston; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 6. Evening: St. James's, South Groveland; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 7. 4th Sunday after Easter, A.M.: St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Trinity, Haverhill; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.

May 9. A.M.: Boston; Annual Meeting of the Episcopal Clerical Fund; Meeting of the Trustees of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen. **Later:** Annual Meeting of the Society. **P.M.:** The Diocesan Board of Missions.

This completes the Journal of my official acts, as required by Canon, up to the opening of the present Diocesan Convention. Other lists canonically required are furnished in my Annual Address, or are herewith appended.

The **SECRETARY** called the names of the Lay Delegates from St. Mark's, Boston, as follows:—

JAMES S. BURBANK,
HENRY C. EDDY,
CHARLES T. GRILLEY,

who appeared, and took their seats.

The **Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD** read the following Annual Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions:—

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Treasurer's statement, accompanying this report, exhibits in detail the receipts and expenditure for the year. The total receipts for the year have been \$9,771.60, from the following sources:—

Balance from account of previous year	\$2,079 24
From parish offerings	6,466 58
Individual gifts	410 78
Special gift for support of general missionary	750 00
Special gift for mission at Hingham	7 00
Special gift for purchase of reading matter for distribution by general missionary	25 00
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society	33 00
Total receipts for the year	\$9,771 60

Included in the receipts from "parish offerings" are the following receipts from Convocations:—

Eastern Convocation	\$58 14
Central Convocation	2 48
Total from Convocations	\$60 62

The total expenditure for the year has been \$10,393.03, for the following purposes:—

Payment of stipends to parishes and missions	\$9,050 12
Stipend of general missionary, six months to March 1, 1881	750 00
Expense account of general missionary	145 81
Publication and distribution of "The Diocese"	334 40
Expense of semi-annual missionary meetings	9 00
Printing	11 95
Special to mission at Hingham	7 00
Reading-matter for distribution by general missionary,	25 00
Secretary's expense account 1880-81 and 1881-82	9 75
Treasurer's expense account	50 00
Total expenditure for the year	\$10,393 03

Showing an excess of expenditure over receipts of \$621.43.

One hundred parishes and missions have contributed during the year 1881 offerings to the treasury of the Board, and a total sum of \$6,466.58, as compared with 102 parishes, 182 offerings, and \$7,503.05, the previous year, 1880-81, and 110 parishes, 195 offerings, and \$8,177.68 in 1879-80; showing a loss, in three years, of 10 in the number of contributing parishes, of 30 in the number of offerings, and of \$1,711.10 in the amount contributed.

Forty parishes and missions have received missionary aid from the Board during the year as follows:—

Amesbury, Arlington, Ashfield, Bridgewater, Brighton, Brockton, Cambridge (Ascension Mission), Chelmsford, Cherry Valley, Clinton, Danvers, Dorchester (All Saints'), Fall River (St. John's), Framingham, Franklin, Gloucester, Ipswich, Lee, Medway, Milford, Millbury, Milville, Nantucket, Natick, Newton (Messiah), North Attleborough, Oxford, Peabody, Plymouth, Rochdale, Sheffield, Swansea, Van Deusenville, Wakefield, Waltham (Ascension Mission), Westfield, Wilkinsonville, Williamstown, Woburn, Wrentham.

The changes and vacancies which have occurred during the year in the parishes and missions receiving aid from the Board are as follows:—

Amesbury, St. James's.—Rev. A. W. Chapin assumed charge of the parish on June 1, 1881. During the period subsequent to the resignation of Rev. S. S. Spear, in June, 1877,—a period of some three years,—services were sustained by the Rev. Samuel M. Emery, D.D., of Newburyport, who at much self-sacrifice most earnestly labored for the prosperity of the parish, at this critical period of its history.

Brockton, St. Paul's Mission.—Rev. J. Nelson Jones resigned Jan. 31, 1882. Regular services have since been maintained, though no formal appointment of a missionary has yet been made.

Cambridge, Ascension Mission, became vacant by the retirement of Rev. A. V. G. Allen, D.D., Nov. 1, 1880. Regular services were, however, maintained, and the appropriation of the Board continued, until the appointment of Rev. C. W. Duffield as missionary, who entered upon its charge May 15, 1881.

Cherry Valley Mission became vacant by the death of Rev. J. H. Waterbury, April 7, 1882. He assumed its charge May 1, 1881, being at the same time the rector of St. Matthew's, Worcester.

Clinton, Good Shepherd, became vacant July 10, 1881, by the resignation of Rev. H. L. Foote. Regular services were maintained until Oct. 9, 1881, when Rev. E. T. Hamel entered upon the duties of minister in charge.

Fall River, St. John's.—Rev. A. H. Barrington resigned Easter, April 17, 1881, and was succeeded July 3, 1881, by Rev. S. S. Spear.

Framingham, St. John's.—Rev. F. S. Harraden assumed charge Dec. 16, 1881.

Franklin Mission.—Services at this point, which had been regularly held by Rev. Dr. G. W. Porter—in connection with Trinity, Wrentham—since Jan. 16, 1881, were discontinued Nov. 1, 1881.

Hingham, Mission of St. John the Evangelist.—Mr. Charles L. Wells received the appointment of the Board, April 20, 1882, as missionary, upon his ordination.

Ipswich, Ascension.—Rev. Reuben Kidner resigned the rectorship Jan. 31, 1882, since which time the parish has been under the charge of Mr. J. H. Atwood, who was elected rector March 6, 1882, to enter upon the rectorship upon his ordination in June next.

Lee, St. George's, remained vacant from the date of Rev. C. C. Adams's retirement, Jan. 15, 1881, until Nov. 27, 1881, when Rev. S. H. Hilliard entered upon the rectorship.

Medway, Christ. — Services have been regularly held since Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, 1881, by Rev. Samuel Edwards, rector of Trinity Church, Milford.

Milford, Trinity. — Rev. W. J. Alger resigned charge Jan. 1, 1882, and was succeeded on the same date by Rev. Samuel Edwards.

Natick, St. Paul's, became vacant Sept. 1, 1881, by resignation of Rev. F. H. Bigelow. He was succeeded Dec. 16, 1881, by Rev. F. S. Harraden.

Newton, Messiah. — Rev. H. A. Metcalf entered upon the rectorship Septuagesima Sunday, Feb. 5, 1882.

North Attleborough, Grace, remained vacant from the resignation of Rev. G. R. Wheelock, Sept. 1, 1880, until the succession of Rev. Geo. E. Osgood, Jan. 23, 1881.

Plymouth, Christ. — Rev. J. A. Sanderson retired July 1, 1881, and Rev. J. E. Wilkinson assumed charge the same date.

Sheffield, Christ, became vacant by the death of Rev. Dr. S. P. Parker, Nov. 16, 1880. Regular services were maintained until Jan. 23, 1881, when Rev. H. I. Bodley of Canaan, Conn., assumed charge. Rev. Mr. Bodley resigned Jan. 29, 1882, and was succeeded April 16, 1882, by Rev. F. W. Barnett.

Swansea, Christ. — Rev. O. O. Wright entered upon the duties of minister in charge July 1, 1881.

Waltham, Ascension Mission. — Services were commenced in November, 1880, by Rev. T. F. Fales, rector of Christ Church, Waltham, with the assistance of Mr. Henry S. Nash. Mr. Nash was ordained in June, 1881, and has continued his labors without interruption.

Williamstown, St. John's Mission. — Rev. J. B. Wasson assumed charge April 1, 1881, in connection with the rectorship of St. John's, North Adams. He resigned Jan. 1, 1882, and has been succeeded by Rev. Robert Ellis Jones, who took charge on the first Sunday after Easter, April 16, 1882.

The Rev. John S. Beers, whose appointment as general missionary was referred to in the last Annual Report, entered upon his duties in September last. His report of his work is appended.

The wisdom and importance of such an appointment are manifest, not alone as concerns the person selected, not chiefly because of the success of his labors, but, beyond all, that the Church might realize the opportunities opening before her; that we might know something of that vast congregation, of families and individuals, scattered through the towns and villages of our State, where the services of the Church are not held, who are longing for her ministrations, and who welcome, with peculiar gladness, the services of our missionary. Surely such a work must be acceptable to Him, who said, "I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the House of Israel."

The Board desire to express their deep appreciation of the zealous and efficient work of the missionaries in the diocese. Their labors have been hard and their self-denials many, but they must have felt encouraged and repaid by the success which has attended their efforts.

From the report of the general missionary, which is appended to that of the Board, we select the following paragraphs, omitting in our selection matters which have been already presented, in substance, in the last two numbers of "The Diocese:" —

After stating that he commenced his work in September last, and giving

some description of it, the missionary says, "I have visited and explored over forty towns and villages, and have ascertained by careful inquiry the probable state of affairs in relation to my work in nearly twenty more. Our people, in about twenty of the places concerning which I have ascertained, are, or soon will be, under the pastoral care of neighboring clergymen, who have kindly and specifically promised to look after them, or of clergymen appointed to new fields which have been providentially opened."

He reports six hundred pastoral visits in families (besides a large number of incidental calls); thirty-one infants baptized; five celebrations of the Holy Communion; thirty-three services in twelve places in the mission field (at which the regular morning or evening prayer was used, and in which the responses were full and hearty); and missionary addresses made at the meetings of the Southern, Central, and Eastern Convocations, and the recent semi-annual diocesan missionary meeting.

The following statements are very interesting, as showing to some extent the possibilities of the work: —

"I have visited or met about three hundred and fifty families or parts of families, who were not under the charge of any of our ministers. These families or persons are of various degrees of zeal, from those who are hungry for services, to those who are Churchmen only in name, and care little about *that*. . . . A little more than half of the families visited are natives of this country. There are more than two hundred and twenty-five actual communicants (by which I mean those who have communed in this country, and would, in my judgment, do so regularly had they the opportunity). Besides these, there are at least one hundred and forty other confirmed persons who have never communed, or who have ceased doing so."

The missionary then speaks of the care which he takes to do only abiding work, by careful consultation at every step with the Bishop and the rest of the Executive Committee of the Board; and of the thorough examination of each field which is necessary.

He says further, "My reception has been cordial in almost every instance, and many of the families which have been visited already regard me as their pastor. Many show most distinctly by their actions how highly they appreciate the privilege of receiving occasional visits from a minister of their Church."

Speaking of the case of those who live where at present no services can be established, he says, that, while many attend places of worship of other religious bodies, very few of them have identified themselves with them so as to separate themselves from their own Church; and urges earnestly that every endeavor be made so to extend the mission work of the diocese that the children of such persons may be properly cared for, and taught in what we consider the best way, and may not learn erroneous doctrine or be taught defectively.

He refers to Shelburne Falls and Concord as especially hopeful places for missionary work, and also to places where other ministers have wrought, which he has only visited, as Linden and Winchester, as giving good promise.

He concludes as follows: "This work is hardly more than begun; but already the great fact stands forth very clearly before my mind that the new movement which has been inaugurated will certainly, by the blessing of God, reach, influence, and benefit directly hundreds of those whom it is our duty to care for, — and no one can tell how great will be the remote results if it be

efficiently carried on. May He give to his servants such love towards him that they may work with the might and the help of the Spirit in seeking wandering ones and leading them to the Saviour!"

Submitting the suggestive figures and statements of this report, we call the attention of the Convention and the diocese to the responsibility under which we labor. We are responsible to *the cause* not to work unwisely. We are responsible to *you* not to do too much,—more than your offerings will warrant. But we are responsible to *God* not to do too little.

Never before has this threefold responsibility been the subject of more earnest thought, and we now appeal to every member of the Church to share our solicitude.

There is less and less danger of unwise work, as experience and a more thorough knowledge of the whole diocese qualify us to judge with increasing accuracy of the needs, the demands, and the prospects of each field. And usually this danger will entirely disappear if you enable us patiently and persistently to hold fields once entered.

There is much danger of our doing less than the glory of God requires; and this thought is deeply impressed upon us as we look at the great work which is ready to our hand, and the providential openings which are being developed through the growing interest on the part of our Convocations, and of so many of our rectors, missionaries, and lay people.

There remains, however, the responsibility to the people of the Church not to exceed the limits indicated by their gifts for this vast work. This thought weighs upon us, and, brethren, it should weigh upon you. While all the indications point to the wisdom and the duty of increasing our efforts, and while, in faith that the awakened missionary interest will swell the offerings by which our work is to be sustained, we have ventured under what seems imperative necessity to plan some extension of our work, we feel that it is time to look for the incoming of a tide which shall not ebb of increased offerings to our treasury.

The tide has not come in yet, the offerings scarcely equal those of last year, and yet our plans demand an enlarged liberality, for which we look and wait with hope. Surely you can relieve the Board in regard to this part of their heavy responsibility, by realizing how pressing is your duty in this matter, and become the liberal and cheerful givers whom God loves.

With fields white already to harvest, with hundreds and perhaps thousands of our people scattered throughout this great diocese to whom we are endeavoring to minister, with opportunities occurring which may be lost forever if not seized, there is every reason why the whole Church in the diocese should awake to the duty and the possibilities which alike urge to action.

And we make this appeal at a time when years of successful work emphasize it. The eight years of administration of this trust by your Board have been fruitful ones. The rapid and gratifying growth which has been seen, and which is going on to-day, is in a great degree owing to the godly determination on the part of many to plant and cultivate patiently those which have been deemed desert-places. There is an abundance of good soil: the planting and the watering are ours, and God promises the increase,—a promise which he for his part will most surely keep and perform.

No one would be willing to blot out the happy results of past endeavor: we pray that those whom we represent may have such a strong desire for like glorious results in future that they may be moved to become co-workers with

God in those efforts for the extension of his kingdom, which are peculiarly the charge and the duty of the Churchmen of this diocese, whom he has so greatly blessed.

The Board closes its report to the Convention by submitting a resolution which has been adopted in previous years; calling the attention of the Convention, however, to the fact that the present scale of expenditure is largely increased, and expressing the hope that there may be a corresponding increase in the amount of pledges.

Resolved, That the parishes and all congregations where regular services of this Church are maintained be now called upon, in alphabetical order, by the Secretary of the Convention, to state the amount which they may severally be expected to contribute to the treasury of the Board the coming year.

The Report was adopted, carrying with it the resolution with which it closes.

On motion of the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, —

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to a day of intercession for missions be referred to a committee.

The CHAIR appointed as that Committee, —

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.

" JOHN C. BROOKS.

" CHARLES A. RAND.

GEORGE R. CURWEN.

JOHN P. REYNOLDS, M.D.

The roll of the parishes was then called over by the Secretary of the Board of Missions, with the following result: —

Andover, Christ \$33	Brookline, St. Paul's . . . \$300
Arlington, St. John's . . . 10	Cambridge, Christ . . . 100
Ashfield, St. John's . . . 20	" St. James's . . . 25
Boston, Advent 100	" St. John's Memo-
" (Dorchester) All Saints', 25	rial . . . 75
" (Dorchester) St. Anne's, 20	" St. Peter's . . . 50
" Good Shepherd . . . 100	Chelmsford, St. Anne's . . 10
" Messiah 100	Clinton, Good Shepherd . . 50
" Roxbury, St. John's . . 100	Danvers, Calvary . . . 15
" Jamaica Plain, St.	Dedham, St. Paul's . . . 100
John's 50	Fall River, Ascension . . 30
" Brighton, St. Marga-	Fiskdale, Grace . . . 10
ret's 20	Fitchburg, Christ . . . 60
" (Dorchester) St. Mary's, 35	Framingham, St. John's . . 30
" St. Mary's for Sailors . . 10	Greenfield, St. James's . . 30
" (South) Grace . . . 25	Hanover, St. Andrew's . . 25
" (South) St. Matthew's . . 25	Holyoke, St. Paul's . . . 60
" St. Paul's 1,000	Hyde Park, Christ . . . 20
" St. Mark's 50	Lanesborough, St. Luke's . . 15
" Trinity 1,500	Lawrence, Grace . . . 100

Lawrence, St. John's . . . \$50	Peabody, St. Paul's . . . \$20
Lee, St. George's . . . 20	Pittsfield, St. Stephen's . . . 50
Longwood, Our Saviour . . . 150	Plymouth, Christ . . . 15
Lowell, House of Prayer . . . 10	Rochdale, Christ . . . 15
Malden, St. Paul's . . . 50	Salem, Grace . . . 60
Marblehead, St. Michael's . . . 25	Somerville, Emmanuel . . . 20
Medford, Grace . . . 50	Somerville, St. Thomas's . . . 20
Melrose, Trinity . . . 20	Southborough, St. Mark's . . . 50
Millford, Trinity . . . 20	Springfield, Christ . . . 60
Nantucket, St. Paul's . . . 30	Taunton, St. Thomas's . . . 200
Natick, St. Paul's . . . 10	Waltham, Christ . . . 60
New Bedford, Grace . . . 75	Webster, Reconciliation . . . 150
Newburyport, St. Paul's . . . 50	Westfield, Atonement . . . 15
Newton Lower Falls, St. Mary's . . . 25	Weymouth, Trinity . . . 15
Newton, Grace . . . 60	Wilkinsonville, St. John's . . . 20
North Adams, St. John's . . . 25	Wood's Holl, Messiah . . . 150
Oxford, Grace . . . 10	Worcester, All Saints' . . . 100
	Wrentham, Trinity . . . 10

The Rev. JAMES I. T. COOLIDGE, D.D., from the Central Convocation, made the Annual Report of that body:—

CENTRAL CONVOCATION.

The Secretary of the Central Convocation respectfully reports as follows:—

The meeting of the Convocation intended to have been held on June 21, 1881, at All Saints' Church, Worcester, was postponed until Nov. 8, with the consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, and the Dean.

Consequent upon the meeting of the general Diocesan Board of Missions in that same week, the meeting was again postponed till Feb. 7, 1882, when it was held at All Saints' Church, Worcester.

At this meeting, in addition to the usual services, interesting addresses were made by the Rev. John S. Beers, recently appointed missionary at large, and by the Rev. E. T. Hamel, lately received into this diocese from England.

GEO. STURGIS PAINE, *Secretary*.

WORCESTER, May 8, 1882.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS, from the Eastern Convocation, presented the Annual Report of that organization:—

The Eastern Convocation respectfully submits the following report:—

Meetings have been held in October and November, 1881, and February, 1882, in St. Peter's Church, Salem; the Church of the Advent, Boston; and St. Anne's Church, Lowell.

The meeting at Salem was saddened by the then fresh grief occasioned by the death of the Hon. E. R. Mudge, whose memory must ever be held in tender recollection. Appropriate resolutions were passed, and the Convocation attended the funeral in a body.

Acting upon the suggestion of our venerable Dean, the Constitution has been amended, and a Vice-Dean elected.

The interest in missionary work has deepened. A committee appointed to consider the relations between the Convocation and the Board of Missions presented a timely and suggestive paper. Pending its discussion, a missionary committee of five was elected (two being the Convocation's representatives in the Missionary Board) to explore the field covered by the Convocation, and make a statement of its needs.

Our last report chronicled the *promise* of a long-looked-for helper, a missionary at large for the diocese. We now gladly recognize the work already done by this honored representative of the Board. The new fields occupied, and the scattered sheep found within our own limits, show plainly that the great importance of this peculiar work had not been overrated. We look with confidence for increasing interest in the aggressive work of the Church, as the Clergy and Laity shall hear the reports of the missionary, and see in how many towns the people are simply waiting for our services and the teaching of the Church.

At the last meeting of the Convocation most encouraging reports were heard from a large number of the Clergy, promising co-operation with the missionary in exploration of the territory adjacent to their own parishes, and offering assistance in services.

The Missionary Committee in a later report "express their conviction that in such labor, and as well in strengthening the hands of those who are at work in the great centres of influence, lies in large measure the Church's best and most promising hope for speedy growth and for progress in winning to herself the multitudes without her fold."

The Treasurer's Report shows \$ received, and a balance of \$58.14 transferred to the Board of Missions.

At the annual meeting the following officers were chosen:—

Dean, the Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D.; *Vice-Dean*, the Rev. E. L. DROWN; *Treasurer*, the Rev. N. K. BISHOP; *Secretary*, the Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS; *Members of the Board of Missions to represent the Convocation*, the Rev. E. L. DROWN, Mr. CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

In closing we would not forget the marked interest in our sessions, the hearty reception by the Parishes, and the valuable papers contributed.

The temperance question has also been discussed, and a resolution passed favoring the formation of a Diocesan Temperance Society.

WILLIAM G. WELLS, *Secretary*.

LAWRENCE, May 9, 1882.

The Rev. ARTHUR M. BACKUS, from the Southern Convocation, presented the following Annual Report:—

The Southern Convocation would respectfully report that meetings have been held during the past year at St. Mary's, Dorchester; Grace Church, North Attleborough; and at the rooms of the Episcopal Church Association, Boston.

At the annual meeting the following officers were elected:—

Dean, the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD; *Secretary and Treasurer*, the Rev. ARTHUR M. BACKUS. *Members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation*: Clerical, the Rev. PERCY BROWNE; Lay, Mr. J. D. W. FRENCH.

ARTHUR M. BACKUS, *Secretary*.

DEDHAM, May 10, 1882.

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, B.D., from the Committee appointed at the last Convention on Qualifications of Clergy to seats and votes in the Convention, made the following Report: —

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE QUALIFICATIONS OF
THE CLERGY FOR VOTING IN CONVENTION.

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution introduced at the last Convention, touching the whole subject of the Qualifications of the Clergy for voting in Convention, would respectfully report, that, in their judgment, the suggestions of the Bishop of the Diocese in his last year's address (see pp. 20, 21, of the Journal) called attention to a real and serious difficulty in our present law, which, in its strict and literal construction, would undoubtedly operate to the exclusion from the right to vote of not a few faithful Clergymen who are engaged, with the full sanction of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, in the regular and constant discharge of the duties of their sacred calling.

The action of the Convention, a year ago, in admitting to a vote a Clergyman whose regular and devoted service in his appointed ministry was unquestioned, but yet whose claim to a vote, under the provisions of the Constitution, the Committee on Qualifications had unanimously agreed could not be established, illustrates and gives proof of a conflict between the letter of the law and the spirit of the Church's representatives in this diocese, which certainly affords reasonable and even urgent grounds for the recommendation that our present law be amended.

Your Committee, in counselling such amendment, would at the same time give it as their judgment, that the adoption of a liberal and comprehensive policy on the part of the Convention would be at once generous, wise, and free from any serious danger. The principle on which they have based the amendment which will be submitted for your consideration is, that every Clergyman who has been canonically resident in the diocese for a reasonable length of time, and who during that time has been, with a fair degree of regularity, actually engaged in the performance of the functions of his office, should be entitled to a vote as well as voice in the councils of the Church to which he is responsible for his official actions. They have endeavored, after long and careful deliberation, so to frame the language of the proposed amendment that no Clergyman shall be disfranchised, either because, while his regular sphere of ministerial duty is within the diocese, his actual residence is just outside its limits; or because, though canonically resident for six months or more, he has not been called to a definite field of labor till just before the Convention's session; or because, after nearly a year of service, his parochial connection has been dissolved a few weeks prior to such session; or because, while his position and work have the full sanction of the Ecclesiastical Authority, his parish chances to be out of union with the Convention, — for the penalty of disfranchisement in that case should rest, not on the Clergyman in charge, but only on the Parish itself. They have, moreover, deemed it reasonable that Clergymen not settled in particular cures, yet officiating frequently as the opportunity may open, should be entitled also to a vote in the Convention; though, in cases such as these, it has seemed to them not unfair to require canonical residence for the entire year preceding the Convention's session.

In support of the principle on which their action has been based, and which, in its application, would open our doors more widely than they are opened at present, they would call attention to a single provision of the law as it now stands; viz., that any Clergyman canonically resident in the diocese, who is holding some appointment under the institutions of the General Church of the United States which prevents an actual residence in the diocese, shall also have a seat and vote in the Convention. Such Clergymen have no cure in this diocese. Clearly they are admitted on the ground, that, being fairly and regularly at work, they ought to be represented *somewhere*; and, since their canonical residence is here, the representation is here accorded them. It is surely not unreasonable to urge the application of the same principle in dealing with many of the Clergy *actually* as well as canonically resident and at work in the diocese, yet now disfranchised under the provisions of our constitutional law.

It will be observed, that, in the Committee's scheme, six months instead of three are proposed as the required time of canonical residence precedent to voting in Convention. Six months was the time required under our old Constitution, previous to the last amendment; and to revert to it seems not unreasonable, in view of the material lessening of other restrictions proposed in the scheme now submitted. The Committee believe, however, that, under the law which they propose, no Clergyman who is entitled to a vote in the present Convention would be deprived of the same.

With thus much by way of explanation, they would, in conclusion, recommend for adoption the resolution accompanying this Report, with a view to its submission for final action at the next session of the Convention.

Resolved, That Article II., Sect. 2, be so amended as to read as follows:—

ARTICLE II.

SECT. 2. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop shall each have a seat and vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman of this diocese shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Convention: *provided*,—

(a) That he has been canonically resident for at least six months next preceding the session of the Convention, and is at the time of such session regularly and canonically engaged in the discharge of the duties of his office, either as Rector, Minister-in-charge, Assistant Minister, or Missionary of some Parish, Church, or Mission, of this diocese; or as Head, Chaplain, or Teacher, in some incorporated institution of learning, benevolence, or discipline, within the limits of the same, and performing clerical functions; or as Chaplain of the Army or Navy of the United States, performing duty within this diocese; or as an officer of the Convention; or as Registrar of the Diocese; or as an agent of the Board of Missions; or as holding some appointment under the institutions of the General Church of the United States. Or,

(b) That, having been canonically resident for the entire year preceding the session of the Convention, he shall, not less than three weeks prior to said session, have submitted to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in writing, reasonable and sufficient evidence that, during the greater part of the year, he has been actually engaged, within this diocese, in the performance of the functions pertaining to his sacred office; or that by reason of age, ill health, or other like infirmity, he has been unable to discharge the same; or that he has, during an aggregate of thirty years, performed some one or more of the duties

above described. And all other Clergymen, canonically resident in this diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership of this Convention except the right to vote.

Respectfully submitted.

ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON,	} Committee.
GEORGE S. CONVERSE,	
SUMNER U. SHEARMAN,	
EDWARD L. DAVIS,	
EDMUND H. BENNETT,	

Resolved, That action upon the above report be made the order of the day for to-morrow at twelve o'clock.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., from the Committee on Communication from the General Convention, concerning proposed amendment of Ratification of the Prayer-Book, presented the following Report : —

The Committee to whom was referred the communication from the General Convention, with regard to the proposed amendment to the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer, offer as their report the following preambles and resolutions, and recommend their adoption: —

Whereas, The proposed amendment seeks to secure the liberty of shortened services neither by Rubric nor by Canon, but by the addition of certain regulations to the Act of Ratification passed by the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in Convention, on the sixteenth day of October, 1789;

And *whereas*, said Act of Ratification appears to this Diocesan Convention to be a most unsuitable place for the introduction of such regulations;

And *whereas*, also, the regulations themselves are drawn in language obscure and difficult to understand;

And *whereas*, also, the whole subject of liturgical enrichment and increased flexibility of use of the Book of Common Prayer was at the same meeting of the General Convention which passed this amendment referred to a joint committee of Bishops, Priests, and Laymen, to be reported upon hereafter:

Therefore *Resolved*, —

That the Diocesan Convention of Massachusetts respectfully represents to the General Convention, that in its opinion the proposed amendment ought not to be finally adopted; that it would awkwardly encumber the Book of Common Prayer; that it would produce confusion and dispute; and that it would interfere with the deliberate and free consideration of the best way of meeting the needs of the Church, for which the General Convention has made wise provision.

Resolved, That the delegates of this diocese in the next meeting of the General Convention be directed to present these Preambles and Resolutions.

PHILLIPS BROOKS,	} Committee.
GEORGE S. CONVERSE,	
CHARLES AREY,	
JOSEPH S. FAY,	
W. S. GARDNER,	

Resolved, That action upon the above resolution be made the order of the day to-morrow at ten o'clock A.M.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., from the Committee on Divorce, presented the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DIVORCE, BOSTON, MAY 10, 1882.

The Committee on Divorce, which at the last Annual Convention of the Diocese was continued for one year to report at the next Convention if it should seem desirable, beg leave to report as follows:—

The petition to improve civil legislation on divorce so as to discourage frequent divorces and unchristian marriages, which was adopted by the Diocesan Convention of 1881, and ordered to be presented to the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, was duly signed and presented. It was referred by the Legislature to the Joint Committee on Probate and Chancery, and the said Committee gave the petitioners a hearing on the twenty-fourth day of April last; the Right Rev. the Bishop, with three members of the Committee on Divorce, being in attendance. The Bishop, speaking in behalf of the petition, obtained for it a respectful and attentive hearing; and although, as it proved, the Joint Committee were not prepared to advocate the provisions of the petition, your Committee believe that by a full and honest statement of the facts of the case, before those authorized to hear it, your representatives have maintained the honor of the Convention of the Diocese upon this important subject.

Your Committee regard the said petition and its public advocacy, though not immediately fruitful, as an important step in the discharge of our duty as Christians and as Churchmen towards that reformation of the public morals on this point which must needs precede a wholesome and effective reform of the civil law as to marriage and divorce. There is reason to hope that the public mind is undergoing a gradual, slow, but healthful change on this subject. It is important that the Clergy and Laity of this diocese should, on proper occasions, reiterate and re-enforce the position heretofore taken by this Convention, and, together with many other citizens of this Commonwealth but of other ecclesiastical connections, conscientiously endeavor to discourage and make disreputable those frequent divorces and marriages which are contrary to the Christian law.

Your Committee recommend a liberal support of the work and object of the New England Divorce Reform League, of whose Executive Committee our Right Rev. Bishop is a member; and they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That, on the basis of the Report and the Petition on Divorce endorsed by the Convention of 1881, the Clergy and Laity of this diocese are called to the duty of earnestly presenting and promoting the Christian law of marriage and divorce, and of reproofing all hasty, secret, and unchristian marriages and frequent and sinful divorces.

Your Committee, having no further report to make, beg to be discharged.

MALCOLM DOUGLASS.

CHAS. H. LEAROYD.

GEO. C. SHATTUCK.

GEO. Z. GRAY.

S. U. SHEARMAN.

ROBT. TREAT PAINE, JR.

Resolved, That the above Report be adopted, and the Committee discharged.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, from the Committee on Tenure of Church Property, made the following Report : —

The Committee to whom was committed that portion of the Bishop's Address, to consider and report on the tenure of Church property in this diocese, respectfully report: The "Committee on the Tenure of Church Property" prepared a circular, and addressed it to all the parishes, mission-stations, and institutions holding Church property in the diocese, with a view to secure as full and accurate knowledge as possible of the condition of Church property. To these circulars seventy replies have been received, and about fifty parishes returned no answer. There is every reason to believe that these seventy replies are a fair indication of the condition of all the Church property in the diocese, and they certainly show a very favorable result. It appears that six only of the seventy answers show any mortgage upon Church edifices, while six others report mortgages upon rectories or lands adjoining. Eleven report that their churches are owned by the parish and individual proprietors; thirty-one churches are held by the parishes alone, and eleven by the Trustees of Donations. A few others are held, one by Rector, Wardens, and Vestry as trustees, others by special trustees, and one by a manufacturing corporation. Three report a provision that in case of failure to support worship, or of dissolution, the property shall pass to the Trustees of Donations. In the cases in which the property is held by the Parish, except those just mentioned, there is no indication of any provision against alienation. That such property may be alienated, is an event which has occurred, and may occur again. Your Committee would suggest to parishes in whom alone the property of the Church is vested, that they consider carefully their By-Laws with reference to the requisites of admission of voters into the Corporation, and whether there might not be introduced into the Constitution or Articles of Agreement some provision giving a veto power to the Standing Committee of the Diocese upon the disposal of their property. The Committee would also suggest to those who make subscriptions in aid of building churches or chapels the utility of making their subscriptions conditional upon an absolute security of the Church or Chapel aided from being lost to the Church.

CHAS. H. LEAROYD.
J. R. PEIRCE.
REGINALD H. HOWE.
JOHN C. ROPES.
ROBT. TREAT PAINE, JR.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, Treasurer of the Convention, made his Annual Report. (See Appendix.)

EDWARD L. DAVIS, from the Committee on Episcopal Church Rooms, made the following Report : —

The Committee on securing a house in the city of Boston for Church Rooms, meetings of Committees of the Diocese, and for other purposes, respectfully report that the need of such a building is felt more and more each year as the Church multiplies her agencies and enlarges her numbers.

The *nucleus* of a fund for the erection of a suitable building has been contributed, and has been placed in the charge of the Trustees of Donations.

The Committee hope that other contributions may be made, so that the small sum now in hand may be speedily increased until the fifty thousand dollars or more needed for the purpose may be secured.

The Committee beg to renew the resolution of last year, that the Treasurer of the Convention be authorized to pay to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Church Association the sum of four hundred dollars for the use of the present Church Rooms on Hamilton Place, Boston, during the current year, for the meetings of Committees and organizations of the Diocese.

It is recommended that a Committee be appointed for the coming year with the same duties and powers as those intrusted to the one whose term has expired.

GEO. W. SHINN.

GEO. Z. GRAY.

ROBT. TREAT PAINE, JR.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

The Report was accepted, and the resolution which it suggests was adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on a Diocesan Church House be re-appointed; one vacancy, occasioned by the death of the late Hon. E. R. Mudge, to be filled:—

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN.

The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D.

ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JR.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

THOMAS SANDERS.

The Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET, Church Registrar, presented his Annual Report:—

REPORT OF THE CHURCH REGISTRAR.

There have been added to the materials in this Department, since the last annual report to the Convention, as follows: A bundle of papers from the Standing Committee, from May, 1881, to May, 1882, from the Rev. George S. Converse, Secretary of the same; the Journal of the Ninety-first Convention of this Diocese, from the reverend Secretary thereof; and, from the secretaries or registrars of their respective Dioceses, Journals for 1881 of Albany, Delaware, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, New Hampshire (two years), New Jersey, Northern New Jersey, Pittsburgh (also special), Rhode Island, Vermont, Western New York, and Wisconsin, — for all which copies of the Journal of this Diocese have been sent in return.

J. C. Ropes, Esq., has contributed Journals of Massachusetts Convention for 1830 and 1831, also "The Right of the Eastern Diocese to elect an Assistant Bishop, 1837." Inasmuch as there is in this Department a full set (now almost, if not quite, impossible to obtain) of Journals of this Convention from 1784 to 1881, both inclusive, in seven bound volumes, two of the pamphlets sent by Mr. Ropes are virtually duplicates. But perhaps they may be exchanged for some other publications in which the Registrar's collection is deficient, — a course gladly taken by librarians whenever they have an opportunity. The same

gentleman has also furnished "Proceedings, etc., of the General Theological Seminary, etc., 1830." The Rev. Charles Arey, D.D., has also sent "Spiritual Ministration to the Sick," an essay written by him. "Alexander Hamilton Vinton," a memorial sermon, by the Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D., 1881, has been contributed by the preacher thereof.

Having given the statistics of the Registrar's Department for the last year, I might bring this report to a close. But I beg leave to call your attention to some matters that may prove to be interesting and instructive.

According to official lists, there are about one hundred and twenty parishes in this Diocese, of which some thirty-three are missionary stations. The following named churches are believed to be out of debt: Amherst; Andover; North Andover; Beverly; in Boston, Trinity, Messiah, Advent, Emmanuel, Christ, St. Matthew's, Good Shepherd, St. Mark's; in Chelsea; in Roxbury, St. James's and St. John's; in Jamaica Plain; Brookline; Cambridge, Christ and St. Peter's; Dedham, St. Paul's and Good Shepherd; Fitchburg; Great Barrington; Lenox; Greenfield; Hanover; Haverhill, Trinity and St. John the Evangelist; Hyde Park; Lawrence, Grace and St. John's; Methuen; Longwood; Lowell, St. Anne and St. John; Lynn; Malden; Marblehead; Medford; Melrose; New Bedford, Grace; Newburyport; Newton (Lower Falls); Pittsfield; Quincy; Salem, St. Peter's and Grace; Somerville, St. Thomas's; Southborough; Stockbridge; Taunton, St. Thomas's; Waltham; Webster; Wood's Holl; and Worcester, All Saints', — making fifty-five in all. Of this number twenty-seven parishes have transferred their property to the "Trustees of Donations" of this Diocese, thus forever preventing any alienation of the real or other estate so conveyed. The Treasurer of that Corporation writes to me, "Several other parishes will probably convey their property to us this year."

The debts which remain on the parishes not given in the above list are believed to be mostly in a fair way of being paid. In some cases these debts, compared with the valuation of the churches on which they rest, are of no serious account. A statement can here be made which will, no doubt, surprise many; viz., that, during the last ten years ending A.D. 1881, the churches in this Diocese have raised for objects connected with the Church a sum hardly falling short of six millions of dollars.

The authority for this statement is as follows: —

Abstracts of Parochial Reports in the years named: totals of	
the tables	\$4,869,620 73
To which should be added the cost of Trinity Church, Boston,	
not reported to the Convention	600,000 00
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	\$5,469,620 73

This apparent deficiency of half a million of dollars can, in a great measure, be accounted for. Every year some parishes fail to make any statistical returns to the Convention. Then, again, there are societies the amounts of whose receipts do not go into the tables from which I have quoted. For instance, the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans has, during the last decade, beside paying all legal demands upon it, and giving to families of deceased clergymen several hundreds of dollars annually, found its capital stock increased during the time named nearly fifty thousand dollars, thus obliging it to ask for a third act from the Legislature authorizing the Society named to hold, free of taxation, two hundred thousand dollars. An amount of money, probably, to a larger extent than is supposed, is every year given to

Church objects; and such gifts do not appear in any published statistics. We may notice among others the Episcopal Theological School of this Diocese, which has thus far cost the larger part of half a million of dollars; the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, which last year raised in cash over seven thousand dollars, and boxes of clothing nearly ten thousand dollars.

There are also Parish Funds in some of the churches from which a complete return is not to be had. These aggregate tens of thousands of dollars. I cannot omit speaking of the Diocesan Board of Missions. Beginning its active existence some forty years since, it found it difficult to raise two or three thousand dollars annually. Its receipts for the year ending May, 1881, were some nine thousand dollars, thus trebling if not quadrupling its early receipts. It is a noticeable fact that, year after year, there have been *anonymous* donations of over seven thousand, more than four thousand, and exceeding three thousand dollars, beside smaller sums of a like kind. From the very nature of the case, such gifts could not go into any tabular abstract. The Board named has had the satisfaction of seeing many parishes which they were able to aid by small sums in their infancy now firmly established, and in the occupancy of church-buildings, costing each from a few hundred dollars up to tens of thousands of dollars; and in one case a church, consecrated a few months since, on which a quarter of a million of dollars was laid out.

I must not close without referring again to the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc. Each clergyman owes it to himself to purchase "contract relief" in this corporation. His family, should they survive him, will receive five times the amount of his investment for twice the number of years in which he may have paid it. Nor is this all. A few years since, every member of the Society was anxious to pay a large yearly amount to the representatives of one who for nearly a score of years had purchased contract relief; but the By-Laws limited this sum. The case alluded to led to a liberalizing of these laws; and now, should necessity demand it, two or three times of the amount due to the member can be added as a free gift to his family.

WM. S. BARTLET, *Church Registrar.*

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, presented the Annual Report of that body : —

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE INCREASE OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

The Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund expressed a hope, in their last report, that this year they would be able to say that every parish was contributing to the support of the Bishop, and that the word "delinquent" would not appear in this year's report. They are disappointed, and recognize that the Convention must still grieve for an unfinished work. There are one hundred and nine parishes on the Committee's list. Forty-one parishes have contributed to the fund in notes or cash; one parish has paid the interest and three-quarters of the principal; twenty parishes are contributing more or less regularly to the income; four parishes have given pledges during the year to contribute to the income. Sixty-six parishes thus are acting in conformity with the rules and expressed wishes and views of the Convention.

Thirty-nine parishes are delinquent; eighteen of those thirty-nine parishes have never given any thing. This, certainly, is a sad exhibit. If the Treasurer of the State of Massachusetts should report that one-sixth of the towns had neglected or refused to pay their assessed taxes, and to contribute to the maintenance of the Government, should we not say that the good old Bay State was in a bad way? Would it be strange if one should infer that the fear of man, who can and does distrain goods, and send to prison, is a more powerful incentive to good works than the love and fear of God? And can one be contented with such a state of things? Sixteen hundred communicants are reported from these delinquent parishes. If each one of these practised a little self-denial, could they not give one cent a week, or fifty cents a year, and thus contribute eight hundred dollars a year to the support of their chief pastor? Are the pastors of these flocks diligent in teaching how blessed it is to sacrifice and contribute to the work of their Divine Master, and strengthen and support the chief pastor? If these brethren plead ignorance, their pastors, and even your Committee, may come in for their share of punishment; and such considerations should stir us all up to activity and diligence in the fulfilment of our respective duties. By the report of the Diocesan Board, we learn that one hundred and one parishes contributed to Diocesan missions last year; and we learn also that nearly forty parishes discharged one duty, neglecting one that is paramount: so that, while we rejoice at one good work, we must deplore failure in a more important one. The noble-hearted layman, whose loss during the past year we all deplore, and whose example is still with us, expressed his deep obligation to his rector, who taught him how to give. And in the great day of account the rich are not the only ones who will be asked what have they done for their Master and His Church. Every one, high and low, rich and poor, will have to say if he has given according to his ability; and our sixteen hundred brethren, who have never done any thing towards the support of their chief minister, can give but a sorry account of a neglected duty.

Something has been done during the past year. Every delinquent parish has been twice reminded of its obligations; and there are six more contributing parishes than there were a year ago, and nearly three thousand dollars have been added to the fund; but this should be larger by twenty thousand dollars. By the aid of contributions, the income of the year has been sufficient; but our investments must be changed, and a lower rate of interest received. The larger parishes are paying their notes on which seven per cent have been received; and if we would redeem our promises, and fulfil our engagements, these sixteen hundred communicants and forty parishes must be roused to do their part. Parishes who have not given notes, and contribute occasionally, must be reminded every year once or twice. Your present Committee has served eighteen years; and we confess our incompetence, and beg for release. There are active and eloquent young men from whom a new Committee may be chosen, clothed with authority to teach, preach, and exhort, to put an end to this scandal.

The only other alternative occurring to your Committee is to transfer the work to the Trustees of Donations. The Treasurer of the Board is very active and well disposed, and would be aided by the Managers.

We append to our report lists of those parishes who have given cash or notes, and of those contributing to the fund; of those who give regularly, of those who give occasionally, and of those who give nothing. We hope that

these lists will be printed in the Journal, and that thus a much-needed stimulus to well-doing may be given.

Resolved, That the Convention would express its conviction of the importance of every parish taking its part in the support of the Episcopate by contributing, in cash or notes, the sum assigned to it, or by written obligations to pay semi-annually the assigned quota. To redeem these pledges, quarterly collections may be taken up; and at these times rectors and ministers should instruct and exhort their people.

Resolved, That the Managers of the Trustees of Donations be requested to add to their duties that of appeals to delinquent parishes, each of which is to be reminded twice every year of their duties and obligations.

(Signed)

GEO. C. SHATTUCK,
CHARLES O. WHITMORE,
J. P. ELLICOTT,

} Committee.

The following parishes are now contributing regularly to the income of the fund, though not to the principal, and should not be reported as delinquent:—

Total amount paid.			Total amount paid.		
Principal. Interest.			Principal. Interest.		
Andover, Christ	\$15 00	\$369 65	Quincy, Christ		\$91 00
Beverly, St. Peter's . . .		224 00	Salem, St. Peter's		595 00
Brookline, St. Paul's . .	100 00	1,155 00	Somerville, St. Thomas's .		126 00
Cambridge, Christ . . .		542 00	Springfield, Christ . . .		813 75
" St. John's Mem.		139 00	Taunton, St. John's . . .		65 00
Charlestown, St. John's .		528 50	Waltham, Christ		410 50
Fall River, Ascension . .	25 00	382 96	Webster, Reconciliation .		472 50
Fitchburg, Christ		504 00	Milford, Trinity (five years,		
Hanover, St. Andrew's . .		252 00	paid to 1879)		105 00
Jamaica Plain, St. John's .		787 50	Newton L. Falls, St. Mary's		
New Bedford, Grace . . .		630 00	(seven years, paid to 1880)		367 50

The following parishes have given *pledges*, during the last year, to pay their share of *income* (though not of principal) hereafter:—

Dorchester, All Saints'	\$35 00	Boston, St. Mary's (for sailors) . .	\$35 00
" St. Mary's	229 32	Millville, St. John's	24 50
Boston, Christ Church	63 00	Oakdale, Good Shepherd	35 00

The following sums have been received from parishes not *regularly* contributing to the fund or income:—

Principal. Interest.			Principal. Interest.		
Ashfield, St. John's . . .	\$12 25	\$7 00	Ipswich, Ascension . . .		\$23 25
Boston, St. Mark's . . .		30 00	Lanesborough, St. Luke's .		18 35
" St. Stephen's Chap-			Lee, St. George's		16 80
el		37 35	*Melrose, Trinity		35 00
Bridgewater, Trinity . .		65 10	North Adams, St. John's .		42 00
Cambridge, St. Peter's ('73			Northampton, St. John's .	\$29 00	
and '74)		96 00	Sheffield, Christ		40 00
Chelsea, St. Luke's . . .		109 00	Van Deusenville, Trinity .		14 00
Gloucester, St. John's . .		5 00	Weymouth, Trinity . . .		27 13
Gt. Barrington, St. James's	15 58	55 85			

* This parish will probably pay regularly hereafter.

The following parishes have contributed nothing:—

Amherst, Grace; Brighton, St. Margaret's; Danvers, Calvary; Easthampton, St. Philip's; Fiskdale, Grace; Lincoln, St. Anne's; Nantucket, St. Paul's; Natick, St. Paul's; West Newton, Messiah; North Adams, St. Mark's; Otis, St. Paul's; Oxford, Grace; Plymouth, Christ; Rochdale, Christ; Somerville, Emmanuel; South Groveland, St. James's; Van Deusenville, Trinity; Westfield, Atonement; Wrentham, Trinity.

The following parishes have paid their assessment *in full*, either in cash, or parish notes:—

Amesbury, St. James's (note) . . . \$125 00	Lawrence, St. John's (note) . . . \$600 00
Boston, Advent (note) 1,500 00	Lenox, Trinity (note) 750 00
" Emmanuel (cash) 220 72	Lowell, St. Anne's (cash) 1,045 63
" " (note) 4,000 00	" St. John's (note) 500 00
" Messiah (note) 1,500 00	Lynn, St. Stephen's (note) 750 00
" Good Shepherd (note) 850 00	Malden, St. Paul's (note) 300 00
" Roxbury, St. James's (note) 1,500 00	Marblehead, St. Michael's (cash) . . 430 03
" " St. John's (note) 750 00	Medford, Grace (note) 450 00
" Trinity (cash) 3,000 00	Newburyport, St. Paul's (cash) . . . 750 00
" St. Paul's (cash) 338 79	Newton, Grace (note) 750 00
" " (note) 3,000 00	North Attleborough, Grace (cash) . . 6 05
" (So.), St. Matthew's (note) 1,000 00	" " " (note) 300 00
Cambridge (North), Free Episcopal	Pittsfield, St. Stephen's (cash) . . . 75 00
Church of St. James (note) . . . 200 00	" " (note) . . . 675 00
Clinton, Good Shepherd (note) . . . 400 00	Salem, Grace (note) 750 00
Dedham, St. Paul's (cash) 1,000 00	Southborough, St. Mark's (cash) . . 400 00
Frammingham, St. John's (cash) . . . 400 00	Stockbridge, St. Paul's (cash) . . . 150 00
Greenfield, St. James's (cash) . . . 17 50	" " (note) . . . 350 00
" " (note) 500 00	Swansea, Christ (cash) 200 00
Haverhill, Trinity (note) 300 00	Taunton, St. Thomas's (note) . . . 800 00
Holyoke, St. Paul's (cash) 10 00	Wilkinsonville, St. John's (cash) . . 150 00
" " (note) 750 00	Woburn, Trinity (note) 300 00
Hyde Park, Christ (note) 600 00	Wood's Holl, Messiah (cash) . . . 250 00
Lawrence, Grace Church (cash) . . . 900 00	Worcester, All Saints' (note) . . . 2,000 00

Also East Boston, St. John's, has given its note for \$150, but has paid no interest for six years.

One or two of the smaller parishes above also owe interest on their notes, but will probably pay in full.

The Church of our Saviour, Longwood, has paid \$743.25, nearly three-fourths of its assessment, with interest.

The question of adopting the second resolution of the above Report being before the Convention, it was lost.

Resolved, That the present Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund be continued.

EDWARD N. PERKINS, from the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, presented the Annual Report of that Society:—

REPORT OF THE MARGARET COFFIN PRAYER-BOOK SOCIETY.

The Society has had a year of more than usual prosperity and usefulness. It has distributed gratuitously 1,154 prayer-books and 655 hymnals: viz., in Massachusetts, 799 prayer-books and 445 hymnals; in New Hampshire, 60 prayer-books and 80 hymnals; in Delaware, 50 prayer-books and 50 hymnals; in Colorado, 100 prayer-books; in Georgia, 75 prayer-books; in Michigan, 20 prayer-books and 30 hymnals; in Hayti, 50 prayer-books and 30 hymnals.

The *Receipts* (including balance from last year of \$335.05) have been \$1,340.00.

Disbursements.

For new stereotype-plates	\$752 84
Printing and binding new edition of prayer-book .	270 48
Purchase of 1,000 hymnals	240 00
Insurance	8 00
Balance to new account	68 68
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	\$1,340 00

A legacy of \$1,000 from the late Mrs. Edward N. Perkins has been received, which raises the permanent fund to \$12,500.

The Society has recently issued an edition of the prayer-book more valuable, in many respects, than any preceding one. It is printed from its new stereotype-plates, and bears the necessary certificate of examination by a Presbyterian appointed for the purpose, and the canonical *imprimatur* of the Bishop of the Diocese.

The annual service was held, by the kind invitation of the Rector, at the Church of Our Saviour, Longwood, on the third Sunday after Epiphany. The sermon was preached by the Rev. A. C. A. Hall, from the text, Acts viii. 34-36. It has been printed by request, and may be had of the publishers of the prayer-book, A. Williams & Co.

Applications for grants of prayer-books and hymnals may be made to the President, the Bishop of the Diocese, or the Clerk.

The offering of \$46.81 from St. Paul's Church, Brookline, should be gratefully acknowledged, with the hope that the example may be followed by other parishes.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Clerk*.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., presented the annual report of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen:—

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

This Society, organized in 1840, in compliance with the requirement of its By-Laws, respectfully submits to the Diocesan Convention its Annual Report as follows:—

During the past year two clerical members have been lost,—one by death, the other by removal; two clerical members have been added. The present number of members is thirty-seven,—twenty-eight clerical and nine lay. Of

the lay members, six are life and three annual; of the clerical members, six are no longer connected with this Diocese.

The Fund of the Society is divided into two classes: —

1st, An Annuity Fund, from which is paid all annuities when they become payable, and all sums due to contributors wishing to withdraw their contributions.

The sum of fifty thousand dollars has been set aside and invested as such Fund, to which is added every year all payment from contributors for contract annuity. In April, 1881, the amount of this Fund was \$59,286.65.

The cash value of the annuities of the twenty-eight contributing clerical members is \$35,200, leaving a surplus, over all liabilities, of \$24,046.65.

For the year the income from investments of this Fund was \$2,978.37, the surplus of which sum, with a part of the cash on hand, has been invested, making in all \$62,847.32.

The amount received from contributing clergymen was \$445.

The sum of \$300 has been paid to the family of one clergyman deceased.

Sixty-eight dollars and seventy cents has been paid to one clergyman who has withdrawn from the Society, having removed from the Diocese.

The other class of the Fund of the Society is, —

2d, The Charity Fund, from which is given gratuitous relief to the widows and orphans of clergymen who have died in the communion of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and who, at the time of their decease, or at some former time, were canonically or actually resident in this Diocese; preference in all cases being given to the families of those clergymen, deceased, who in their lifetime were contributors to the funds of this Society.

This Fund is composed of a part of the capital of the Society, together with all payments for membership, whether annual or for life, and all gifts, bequests, and devises to this Society, and all offerings and collections made for its benefit and not otherwise specially appropriated by the donors; and now amounts to \$38,200.

For the year the income of this Fund was \$2,389.65; of which \$2,051.30 was derived from investments, and \$338.35 from contributions.

During the year the sum of \$1,460, from the income of the Charity Fund, has been distributed among the families of nine clergymen deceased.

Of the balance, \$700 has been invested.

The members of the Society consist of three classes: —

1st, CONTRACT. — Clergymen of this Church, at the time of the first subscription canonically resident or habitually officiating in this Diocese, who have, or for whom there have been, made payments of the sum of five, or ten, or fifteen, or twenty, or twenty-five dollars annually.

Their widows and children, in consequence of such payments, shall be entitled to an annuity of five times the amount of such annual contributions, for twice the number of years during which they have been paid, — in other words, ten times as much as the sums paid by or for their husbands and fathers.

2d, ANNUAL. — Clergymen and Laymen of the Church in this Diocese who pay not less than five dollars per annum to the Society.

3d, LIFE. — Clergymen and Laymen entitled to become annual members who pay twenty dollars at any one time to the Society.

A pamphlet containing the Acts of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the Society may be had on application to its Secretary.

To the reverend clergy the Society earnestly commends the consideration of the great importance of, and the weighty inducement to, making provision for their widows and children through annual contract contributions; if this should be deemed not necessary, then by becoming either annual or life members, increasing the Charity Fund having for its object the gratuitous relief of their departed brethren's widows and orphans needing this world's good.

To the parishes, and to individual members of the same, the Society would suggest, as an eminently charitable and most desirable work, the making of contributions to the Annuity Fund, specially appropriated for contract relief for the widows and orphans of the particular clergymen who respectively are now laboring among them, and are over them in the Lord,

To individual laymen or lay-women the Society would make an appeal for co-operation in the divinely commanded work of pure and undefiled religion, — "visiting" with needed relief "the fatherless and widows in their affliction," — by asking them to become members, either from year to year, or for life; and by contributing liberally to collections made in their respective parishes for the Charity Fund.

The good examples of those servants of the Divine Master, who, having faithfully served before Him in the sacred ministry of His Church, do now rest from their labors, are its glory and its joy. May there never be occasion for the reproach that "their widows were neglected in the daily ministrations" of the Church to poor and needy people!

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Society.

W. HENRY BROOKS, *Secretary*.

Boston, Mass., May 9, 1882.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., presented the annual report of the Episcopal Clerical Fund: —

EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND.

During the past year nothing of special importance has occurred in the history of this Association. No death has to be recorded, and no new name has been added to the list of our beneficiaries.

It is fervently to be hoped that the dark days and the days of small things of this Society have passed away, and that a future of greater activity and usefulness is opening before us.

The Treasurer's Report presents the following items: —

The invested fund now amounts to	\$23,200 00
The receipts for the year have been, —	
From interest on invested funds	805 34
parishes	892 53
gifts	10,050 00

This last item includes the noble gift of ten thousand dollars presented by our Treasurer at the last annual meeting, which has been judiciously invested, and added to the Permanent Fund, under the name of the "Randolph M. Clark Memorial Fund."

The annual expenditures have amounted to the sum of \$1,250, divided amongst five beneficiaries.

For some time past it has been felt that the name of our Association does not fully explain or designate the object for which the Society was formed, and the question of a change has been discussed amongst the Directors. At the last annual meeting the subject was talked over; but, for lack of time, no definite action was taken, and it was decided to postpone the matter to a special meeting to be called for that purpose. A special meeting was accordingly held on the second of June, when a Committee of two persons was appointed to take the matter into consideration.

As stated in former reports, the parishes of the Diocese are generally lukewarm and uninterested in the welfare of this Society; at least, if they have any kindly feeling towards it, they do not manifest it by any outward act. Only twenty parishes, out of a roll of one hundred and twenty, have contributed any thing to our funds during the past Conventional year. The fault, it is believed, lies at the door of those who ought to feel a personal interest in the matter, i.e., the clergy. The parishioners, in most cases, would gladly and liberally respond if the subject were brought to their attention.

"While we have time, let us do good unto all men; and especially to them that are of the household of faith." "Blessed be the man that provideth for the sick and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble."

JOSEPH H. CLINCH, *Secretary*.

Resolved, That this Convention now adjourn.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, 9 A.M.

The Convention reassembled in Trinity Church for morning prayer, which was read to the First Lesson by the Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D. The Lessons were read by the Rev. ETIENNE T. HAMEL; the remainder of morning prayer by the Rev. SAMUEL EDWARDS. The BISHOP closed the services with Collects and the benediction.

After religious services the Convention met for business in the chapel of Trinity Church.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Resolved, That the calling of the roll be dispensed with.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, from the Committee on a Day of Intercession for Missions, offered the following report:—

COMMITTEE ON DAY OF INTERCESSION FOR MISSIONS.

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the observance of a day of intercession for missions propose the following action:—

Resolved, That we have heard with great pleasure of the suggestion of the Lambeth Conference, and that of several Bishops of our Church, that the Sunday after the Festival of the Ascension, the twenty-first inst., be observed this year as a day of intercession for missions throughout the world; and we

heartily unite in the recommendation that the day be thus observed throughout this Diocese, and request our Bishop to set forth a suitable service for the occasion.

For the Committee.

THOS. F. FALES.

The report, on motion, with its appended resolution, was adopted.

JOSEPH STORY FAY presented the following annual report of St. Luke's Home : —

ST. LUKE'S HOME FOR CONVALESCENTS.

This charity was started in 1870 by the Rev. Dr. Pelham Williams, who, in his work among the poor, saw how urgent was the need of it, and how valuable it would be. Its chief aim was to provide for those poor women, whom, being "convalescent," the hospitals could not *retain*, while they still needed shelter, food, and nursing before health could be fully restored; also for those not really sick, but exhausted, and needing rest and care, whom the hospitals could not *receive*.

Obtaining those aids and appliances such as their own poor homes, if they had any, could not afford them, these feeble women were to be restored to a condition that could enable them to resume work, and maintain themselves.

This is the charity that was begun in a small hired tenement in Florence Street, where, in the first year, seventy-six women were received; until now it is located at 149 Roxbury Street, where last year, in its roomy house and airy ground, one hundred and ninety were received, and, for the most part, restored to health and self-support. The Corporation owns these premises (formerly known as Ionic Hall) free of all debt and incumbrance, and carries on the work for which it was instituted in a quiet and efficient manner, but almost entirely dependent for support upon voluntary contributions and subscriptions. There is no institution in this city or State doing the same work (although one is projected by the Massachusetts General Hospital), and it appeals to the sympathy and assistance of the generous and charitable.

Many a poor domestic, sewing-girl, shop-woman, and even housewives, have found rest and relief here, in number more than twelve hundred (1,200) up to the present time; and yet much more could be done, if the means were vouchsafed. It is a charity which must appeal especially to the sympathies of women, while it is a pity that something of the same sort could not be provided for men also. Perhaps this will come in the work of this character to be taken up by the Massachusetts General Hospital.

The annual expenses of St. Luke's Home for maintenance, there being no other charge upon it, are about or something more than six thousand dollars.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., from the Committee on the Ratification of the Prayer-Book, called up the order of the day (the Report of the Committee on the proposed amendment to the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer). See p. 55.

The Report of the Committee on the Ratification of the Prayer-Book, carrying with it the resolution, was unanimously adopted.

The CHAIR appointed the following Committee to nominate for vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions : —

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON.	EDWARD S. DAVIS.
" LEONARD K. STORRS.	JOHN P. TARBELL.
" AUGUSTUS PRIME.	

The Rev. HENRY L. FOOTE offered the following resolution : —

That the order of business be so amended, that reports of church and charitable associations, and other bodies, presented at this Convention, be printed without being read;

which, not receiving a two-thirds vote of the Convention, was lost.

ROBERT TREAT PAINE, Jr., presented the annual report of the Wells Memorial Association.

WELLS MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

The Workingmen's Club and Institute, founded and maintained by our Association, has had a third year of satisfactory growth. The number of its members has largely increased, and a stronger interest is felt by the members towards the Club. The Trustees of the Association desired to test by experiment for a year or two, whether a Club and Institute for Workingmen would meet a great need, so as to justify the erection of a permanent club building. They have been so satisfied by these three years' experience that they have decided to build a spacious and well-appointed Club and Institute; and they append the appeal for funds, stating the facts on which they rely to awaken the interest and bounty of the public, and especially of our church, to secure the funds to pay for the land and building.

The corner-stone will be laid, with appropriate ceremonies, on May 30, Decoration Day.

ROBT. TREAT PAINE, JR., *President.*

LIST OF OFFICERS OF THE WELLS MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

President. — ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JR.
Vice-President. — CHARLES W. DEXTER.
Treasurer pro tem. — JOHN D. W. FRENCH.
Secretary. — JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

WORKINGMEN'S CLUB AND INSTITUTE.

The Trustees of the Wells Memorial Association make this appeal for funds to build a suitable building for the Workingmen's Club and Institute.

An excellent vacant lot, Nos. 985 to 991 Washington Street, has been bought for twenty-four thousand dollars, at the low price of four dollars a foot. It is 52 feet wide by 112.47 feet deep to Mayo Street in the rear, thus having two good fronts. The area is 5,848 square feet.

A five-story brick building can be built for about thirty thousand dollars, giving ample accommodation for all club purposes, and leaving for rent two

stores and probably five small halls or apartments, yielding in all a probable rental of three thousand dollars; sufficient, with the income derived from membership fees, to pay taxes and the expenses of permanently maintaining the Club and Institute.

The rooms devoted to club purposes will take the whole second story, including reading-room, hall for lectures, entertainments, and meetings, amusement-room, social-room, and some class-rooms.

A large gymnasium (with hot and cold water baths) will probably occupy the upper two stories in the rear, and it is hoped will be self-supporting.

Workingmen are entitled to a club and institute building in all large cities. The richer classes have their clubs for social purposes. Boston already has its Young Men's Christian Association, and Union, admirably adapted to the classes they serve. The vast number of workingmen should also have a building adapted to their wants, happiness, culture, and entertainments.

In London a union to aid in establishing such club-houses has existed a dozen years, having had the late Dean Stanley at its head, and many of the illustrious noblemen of England among its officers and members. They have in England about nine hundred club-houses, containing one hundred and forty thousand members, and feel sure they are exerting a powerful and ennobling influence. One of the last acts of Dean Stanley was to entertain the members of the Peterborough Workingmen's Club in the celebrated Jerusalem Chamber of Westminster Abbey.

Two years ago our Association leased rooms, No. 1125 Washington Street, corner of Dover Street (since removed on account of fire to 1025 same street), for three years, for our Workingmen's Club, to test by experiment what could be done, before deciding on a permanent plan.

These two years have been successful and full of promise. Members in all exceeding eight hundred have joined, some of course temporarily.

The purpose of this Association was to establish a worthy charity, — as a noble Christian memorial of one who gave his life, full of devotion and love, to the humbler classes, caring for their bodies and loving their souls. The magnitude and value of the institution which the trustees selected have grown more evident with these two years' experience. It is called a Club and Institute; but it is a great central stronghold for all the best influences for the culture and training of workingmen, which may grow out of a kindly and cordial meeting of men of all classes in life, or which the best members, coming to the front, can exert on their fellows.

A club or institute for workingmen should teach industry and skill, promote temperance and thrift, and so aid towards independent and happy homes, — virtue, character, and Christian life.

The second annual report says, "The pleasures, the privileges, and the influence of our Workingmen's Club and Institute touch the lives of members in five great relations, — intelligence, amusements, prosperity, character, and religion.

"These are the five great needs of life, irrespective of lot. On each and all of them this Club may have a happy and by no means a small influence.

"If this be true, it will deserve our best thought and joyful liberality to develop the plan wisely, and perfect it on a broad and strong foundation."

Subscriptions may be sent to Mr. J. D. W. French, Treasurer *pro tem.*, 48 State Street, Boston; or to either of the following, who constitute the Board of Managers of the Wells Memorial Association: J. S. Blatchford, Charles

W. Dexter, Francis C. Foster, J. D. W. French, Charles H. Joy, Robert M. Lawrence, Robert Treat Paine, Jr., J. Montgomery Sears, G. B. Shattuck, M.D., Grant Walker.

April 6, 1882.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD presented the annual report of the Episcopal Church Association.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

The work of the Association has been continued during the past year. Two hundred meetings have been held at the rooms. One hundred and twenty clergymen of other dioceses have registered their names.

The rent has been increased from eight hundred to one thousand dollars yearly. The Treasurer would therefore respectfully urge upon the Convention the importance of continuing the appropriation of four hundred dollars, made last year.

Since the last report, we have to deplore the loss of our President, the late Hon. E. R. Mudge. Prominent in all church matters, he was especially the friend and benefactor of the Association.

The rooms continue to be under the efficient care of Miss Elton.

At the adjourned annual meeting, held Dec. 8, 1881, the following officers were elected:—

Honorary President.—The Right Rev. BISHOP of the Diocese.

President.—ROBERT TREAT PAINE, Jr.

Vice-Presidents.—JOSEPH S. FAY, GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

Treasurer.—ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, M.D.

Clerk.—HENRY M. UPHAM.

Directors.—CHARLES H. JOY, WILLIAM C. LOVERING, CHARLES G. SAUNDERS, JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, HENRY S. CHASE, JOHN H. STURGIS.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board of Directors.

ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, May 6, 1882.

The hour having arrived for the order of the day, the BISHOP announced the following as tellers of the clerical vote: the Revs. L. W. SALTONSTALL, BELNO A. BROWN, and HENRY S. NASH. As tellers for the lay vote, J. MORTON CLINCH, LUKE H. WHITNEY, and WILLIAM C. LOVERING.

The Secretary called over the list of the clergy, and the Assistant Secretary the roll of the parishes.

The Convention then proceeded to vote for a Standing Committee.

Resolved, That in the election of Treasurer and Registrar balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD be re-elected Treasurer.

Resolved, That the Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET be re-elected Registrar.

The Rev. HENRY L. FOOTE, from the Executive Committee, reported as follows : —

The Executive Committee recommend that the opening services of the next Annual Convention shall be held in Trinity Church, Boston, and that the business sessions be held in Trinity Chapel. The Committee recommends as preacher the Rev. Percy Browne, and for substitute the Rev. Arthur O. A. Hall.

H. L. FOOTE.
W. R. HARRIS.
J. H. STURGIS.

The Rev. JULIUS H. WARD, from the Finance Committee, presented the following report : —

The Committee on Finance beg to report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the past year, and find them correct and properly vouched for. They also recommend that the assessment for the coming year be laid at one and one-half per cent of the rector's salary of the respective parishes.

JULIUS H. WARD, *Chairman*.

MINUTE. — The following parishes have failed to pay their assessments for the past year: Grace, Amherst; Christ, Boston; St. James's, Boston; Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham; Grace, Fiskdale; Church of our Saviour, Longwood; St. Mary's, Newton; Grace, North Attleborough; St. James's, South Groveland; Christ, Swansea; Trinity, Bridgewater; St. Paul's, Hopkinton; St. Michael's, Marblehead.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, from the Committee on Printing, presented the following report : —

The Committee on Printing respectfully report that the Journal of the Convention was printed under their supervision, and, with the printing of the Report on Divorce, was given to the lowest bidder. There was a large demand for the Report on Divorce, and many copies were distributed. It was thought best to stereotype the Divorce Report (at a small expense), that copies when called for by clergy or laity might be printed at very much smaller expense. By private means a number of hundred copies were distributed among the ministry of several religious bodies in the State of Massachusetts.

JOSEPH JENKS, *Chairman*.
JOSEPH H. CLINCH.
W. HENRY BROOKS.

On motion of JOSEPH S. FAY, —

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing consist of the Rev. Joseph Jenks, and the Secretaries of the Convention; and that the Journal be printed under the direction of the Committee on Printing.

Resolved, That five thousand copies of the Bishop's Address be printed for distribution among the parishes of the diocese by the Committee on Printing.

Resolved, That a suitable number of copies of the Report of the Committee on Tenure of Church Property be printed, and distributed among the parishes; also the Report of the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES offered the following report of the Massachusetts Church Missionary Society:—

REPORT OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This society has not been engaged in active work during the last year, as since the adoption of the present canon it has co-operated with the Diocesan Board, and contributed to the Board the interest of its trust funds.

For the administration of trusts committed to it, its organization has been maintained. The following officers, for the ensuing year have been elected:—

President.—JAMES S. AMORY.

Vice-Presidents.—MARTIN L. BRADFORD, HENRY S. CHASE.

Secretary.—REV. THOMAS F. FALES.

Treasurer.—STEPHEN G. DEBLOIS.

Executive Committee.—The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL, RUSSELL STURGIS, JR., CHARLES W. DEXTER.

THOMAS F. FALES, *Secretary.*

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD presented the following annual report of the Massachusetts Church Building Fund:—

REPORT OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

The Trustees of the Massachusetts Church Building Fund are not able to report any addition during the past year to its principal, amounting to \$1,017.55.

J. S. BLATCHFORD,

G. C. SHATTUCK, *Trustees.*

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented the annual report of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions begs leave to present its fourth annual report as follows: Regular monthly meetings have been held during the year (except the three summer months) with an average representation of thirty-three parishes. The anniversary was observed on Sunday evening, Nov. 13, by a public service in Trinity Church, with a sermon by Archdeacon Kirkby. The November meeting occurred during the session of the Missionary Conference in Boston. It was held in Trinity Chapel, and was largely attended by clergy and laity. The speakers on that occasion were Archdeacon Kirkby, Bishop Whipple, and Mrs. Twing. The annual report published in October shows the following summary of the year's work:—

132 boxes sent, valued	\$9,649 78
Money collected and forwarded	7,223 82
Total	\$16,873 60

Respectfully submitted.

JANE L. UNDERWOOD,

Secretary M. B. W. A.

NEWTON, May 9, 1882.

J. D. W. FRENCH presented a list of the officers of the Massachusetts Branch of the Free Church Association.

President.—GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

Vice-President.—The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON.

Secretary.—The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, 429 Beacon Street, Boston.

Treasurer.—I. WELLS CLARKE, 13 Exchange Street, Boston.

Directors.—JOSEPH BURNETT, the Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE, J. D. W. FRENCH, A. J. C. SOWDON, the Rev. CHARLES A. RAND.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D., from the Committee on the Church Temperance Society, presented the following report:—

The Committee appointed to consider whether any action be desirable with reference to the Church Temperance Society respectfully recommend the passage of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That this Convention cordially approves the principles and methods of the American Church Temperance Society as set forth in its Constitution, and that it will welcome the formation both of a Diocesan Branch of the General Society and of local societies whenever in the judgment of the rector of the parish such a course may seem practicable.

WM. R. HUNTINGTON.

G. W. SHINN.

HENRY F. ALLEN.

L. C. MANCHESTER.

GEO. C. SHATTUCK.

DANIEL B. HAGAR.

A. B. UNDERWOOD.

Which report was, on motion, adopted, carrying with it the appended resolution.

The hour of twelve having arrived, it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the order of the day be postponed until after the report of the teller for election of Standing Committee.

HENRY HYDE SMITH, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, reported as follows:—

The Committee begs leave to report that there appears to be no unfinished business remaining over from the last Convention.

For the Committee.

(Signed) HENRY HYDE SMITH.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D., from the Committee on the Church Building Fund, reported as follows:—

The Committee report that they have appealed to the various parishes of the diocese, through their rectors, calling attention to the claims of the Fund upon the confidence and support of the Church, and asking for annual contributions.

For the Committee.

WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D., from the Committee on Constitution and Canons, presented the following report:—

REPORT.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred a communication from St. John's Church, Boston Highlands, asking approval of certain changes in its parochial Constitution, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the change in its Constitution desired by St. John's Church, Boston Highlands, be and is herewith approved.

For the Committee.

W. R. HUNTINGTON.

The amendment asked for is as follows:—

TO THE CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

At the Annual Meeting of the Parish of St. John's Church, Boston Highlands, held April 10, 1882, it was voted to amend the Third Article of the Constitution as follows, viz.: by striking out the words "either" and "or by pecuniary aid," thereby changing the Article so as to read thus:—

"Any male person of the age of twenty-one years who has subscribed to the Constitution and By-Laws of the parish, and who has aided in maintaining public worship therein for a period of twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, by regular attendance thereon, shall be considered a member of the parish, and entitled to vote in all its affairs, while he continues such member; but no member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be eligible to any office or function in this parish, or be entitled to vote in its affairs."

This amendment had previously been proposed to the Vestry, thereby complying with Article VI. of the Constitution; and the Parish of St. John's, Boston Highlands, respectfully present the Article, as amended, for the approval of the Convention.

C. V. TWISS, *Clerk*.

The report, with the resolution appended, was adopted.

The House having taken up the order of the day,—the report offered yesterday by the Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, B.D., on the Qualifications of Clergy for Voting in Convention,—the matter was discussed; but decision was suspended by the entrance of the tellers of the election.

The Rev. L. W. SALTONSTALL, from the clerical tellers for a Standing Committee, reported that the House had made choice of the following:—

Whole number of votes	84
Number requisite for a choice	43
The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	60
" " GEORGE S. CONVERSE	82
" " EDWARD L. DROWN	49

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.	. . . . .	81
WILLIAM S. GARDNER	. . . . .	81
EDWARD L. DAVIS	. . . . .	80
CAUSTEN BROWNE	. . . . .	78

And they are the choice of the clergy.

J. MORTON CLINCH, from the tellers of the lay vote for a Standing Committee, reported that the laity has made choice of the following persons : —

Whole number of parishes voting	. . . . .	46
Necessary to a choice	. . . . .	24
The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE	. . . . .	45
“ “ THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	. . . . .	42
“ “ EDWARD L. DROWN	. . . . .	28
“ “ CHARLES H. LEAROYD	. . . . .	27
WILLIAM S. GARDNER	. . . . .	46
GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.	. . . . .	44
EDWARD L. DAVIS	. . . . .	44
CAUSTEN BROWNE	. . . . .	39

And they are elected on the part of the laity.

Three clergymen and four laymen are therefore elected in concurrence, and there is one clerical vacancy.

On motion of CAUSTEN BROWNE,

Resolved, That, in the election of a clerical member of the Standing Committee, balloting be dispensed with.

On motion of the Rev. L. C. MANCHESTER,

Resolved, That the foregoing vote be reconsidered.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for a clerical member of the Standing Committee.

In the absence of W. C. LOVERING, the CHAIR appointed THOMAS MAIR as one of the tellers of the lay vote.

The SECRETARY called the names of the clergy, and the Assistant Secretary the roll of the parishes.

The CHAIR appointed the following persons as a Committee to nominate persons for Trustees of the General Theological Seminary : —

The Rev. JAMES I. T. COOLIDGE, D.D.	FRANCIS C. FOSTER.
“ “ CHARLES L. SHORT.	

The Rev. Dean GRAY offered the following resolution : —

Resolved, That the Committee on Qualifications be directed to prepare and report a measure whereby the right of suffrage may be extended to all clergymen canonically resident for a sufficient period; with the reservation that clergymen not ministering in parishes in union with the Convention shall not vote upon measures in which such parishes are concerned.

The motion was lost.

The Rev. L. W. SALTONSTALL, from the tellers of the vote for a clerical member of the Standing Committee, reported that no candidate had received a majority of the votes.

J. MORTON CLINCH, from the tellers of the lay vote, reported that there was no choice by the parishes.

Resolved, That the rules be suspended, and the Rev. PERCY BROWNE, having received a plurality of both orders, be declared elected.

A division of the question having been called for, on motion, the rules were suspended.

Resolved, That the Rev. PERCY BROWNE be declared elected.

The House then took a recess till three o'clock P.M.

Adjourned.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

The Convention met, pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Dr. SHATTUCK, —

Resolved, That the filling of vacancies in the Deputies to the General Convention be postponed.

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON, from the Committee to nominate for vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions, proposed the following names: —

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	DANIEL CROCKER.
“ “ HENRY F. ALLEN.	WILLIAM C. LOVERING.

And to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Hon. ENOCH R. MUDGE, —

EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.

Resolved, That in the election of a Diocesan Board of Missions balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the following persons be declared elected for four years: —

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	DANIEL CROCKER.
“ “ HENRY F. ALLEN.	WILLIAM C. LOVERING.
	EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.

The last named to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Hon. ENOCH R. MUDGE.

Resolved, That the Committee on Hospitality for the current year consist of the President, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Episcopal Church Association.

The question again came before the House on the Qualifications of Clergy to seats and votes in the Convention. After considerable discussion, the Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS offered as an amendment to strike out the words, "Ecclesiastical Authority," in lines 19 and 20, and insert instead the words, "Bishop and Standing Committee."

The amendment was lost.

FRANK W. REYNOLDS offered as an amendment that all after the word "Convention," in line 3, be stricken out.

The amendment was lost.

J. D. W. FRENCH offered as an amendment that after the word "Convention," in line 5, the words, "and is at the time of such session," be stricken out, and the words, "and has, for at least three months next preceding the session of the Convention, been," be inserted.

The amendment was lost.

The question coming up on the passage of the original Amendment to the Constitution, the vote was taken by orders, with the following result:—

CLERICAL VOTE.

AYES.

The Rev. John S. Beers.
 " George S. Beunitt.
 " Nathan K. Bishop.
 " Harry I. Bodley.
 " Wm. Henry Brooks, D.D.
 " George H. Buck.
 " A. St. John Chambré, D.D.
 " Nathan H. Chamberlain.
 " William F. Cheney.
 " Joseph H. Clinch, S.T.D.
 " George S. Converse.
 " Jeremiah J. Cressey.
 " Louis De Cormis.
 " Edward L. Drown.
 " Samuel Edwards.
 " P. Voorhees Finch.

NOES.

The Rev. Frederick B. Allen.
 " Henry F. Allen.
 " Phillips Brooks, D.D.
 " Percy Browne.
 " Arthur W. Chapman.
 " George W. Durell.
 " Thomas F. Fales.
 " Lewis Green.
 " Etienne T. Hamel.
 " Reginald H. Howe.
 " Wm. R. Huntington, D.D.
 " John A. Jerome.
 " Reuben Kidner.
 " Thomas W. Nickerson.
 " Leighton Parks.
 " G. W. Porter, D.D.

AYES.

The Rev. Walter R. Gardner.
 " Charles C. Grafton.
 " Andrew Gray.
 " Edward M. Gushee.
 " Arthur C. A. Hall.
 " Frank S. Harraden.
 " William R. Harris.
 " James M. Hillyar.
 " Samuel Hodgkiss.
 " George P. Huntington.
 " Charles L. Hutchins.
 " Joseph Jenks.
 " Alfred E. Johnson.
 " Charles H. Learoyd.
 " Henry A. Metcalf.
 " William H. Munroe.
 " Henry S. Nash.
 " Edward W. Osborne.
 " J. Sturgis Pearce.
 " Joshua R. Peirce.
 " Augustus Prime.
 " Charles A. Rand.
 " Sumner U. Shearman.
 " Henry J. Sheridan.
 " Emelius W. Smith.
 " James S. Spalding.
 " Alfred F. Washburn.
 " William G. Wells.
 " J. Frank Winkley.
 " John Wright, — 46.

NOES.

The Rev. L. W. Saltonstall.
 " Samuel S. Spear.
 " George A. Strong.
 " Leonard K. Storrs, — 20.

LAY VOTE.

AYES.

Advent, Boston.
 Christ, Boston.
 St. John's, Roxbury, Boston.
 St. John's, East Boston.
 St. Matthew's, South Boston.
 St. Andrew's, Hanover.
 Grace, Lawrence.
 St. Stephen's, Lynn.
 St. Paul's, Malden.
 St. Paul's, Natick.
 Messiah, W. Newton and Auburndale.
 Grace, Salem.
 St. Mark's, Southborough.
 St. Thomas's, Taunton.
 All Saints', Worcester, — 15.

NOES.

St. Peter's, Beverly.
 Good Shepherd, Boston.
 Messiah, Boston.
 St. James's, Roxbury, Boston.
 St. John's, Charlestown, Boston.
 St. John's, Jamaica Plain, Boston.
 St. Margaret's, Brighton, Boston.
 St. Mary's, Dorchester, Boston.
 St. Paul's, Boston.
 Trinity, Boston.
 St. Paul's, Brookline.
 Christ, Cambridge.
 St. James's, Cambridge.
 Christ, Hyde Park.
 Our Saviour, Longwood.
 Grace, Newton.
 St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
 Christ, Waltham.
 - Messiah, Wood's Holl, — 19.

So the motion was lost, the two orders non-concurring.

Leave was given to the Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents to hand in their report to the Secretary of the Convention, to be printed in the Journal.

CAUSTEN BROWNE offered the following amendment to the rule of order:—

Add to Rule 14, "No printed ballots shall be used, except such as shall have been presented to the Convention before the election proceeds, by, or in the name of, the member of the Convention proposing the nominations contained in such ballots."

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consider the whole subject of the qualifications of the clergy of the Diocese for voting in the Convention, with instructions to report at an early time, at the next meeting.

Resolved, That the committee on that subject appointed by the last Convention be re-appointed.

On motion of the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the rector, wardens, and vestry of Trinity Church, and to the Committee on Hospitality, whose kindness has contributed so amply to the comfort and convenience of the members of this body.

The Rev. CHARLES L. SHORT made the following report:—

The Committee to nominate persons for Trustees of the General Theological Seminary beg leave to report that they find no vacancy upon the Board of Trustees, and therefore deem no action necessary in the matter.

CHARLES L. SHORT,
FRANCIS C. FOSTER, *Committee*.

The SECRETARY presented the annual report of the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children:—

The Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children continues its labors of love with but little change. The children attend St. Matthew's Church on Sunday mornings, and have an afternoon service in the Home Chapel, under the direction of Rev. Mr. Wright; several times during this last year these services have been conducted by the son of the founder, the Rev. Dr. Mason.

Of late years the Home has been filled to its utmost capacity, so that children could be received only when vacancies occurred. Forty-four were admitted last year, seventeen of whom were baptized by the Rev. Mr. Wright.

The extreme difficulty of finding homes for the boys, who outgrow a home suited and intended only for children, led to an appeal being made to the

country clergy to assist in placing them where they would be trained up as useful members of society, while still retained under church influences. This appeal was so favorably answered, that it is expected to prove a happy and ample solution of the difficulty.

S. A. C. BOND, *Secretary.*

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES A. RAND,

Resolved, That, after reading the minutes, and the usual devotional exercises, the Convention adjourn.

The minutes were read, amended, and approved.

After prayer and benediction by the BISHOP, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,

Bishop of Massachusetts.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH,

Secretary.

W. HENRY BROOKS,

Assistant Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

EXTRACT

FROM THE

Canon of the General Convention of 1853.

Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of the Church from time to time.

SECTION 1. — As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every minister of this Church, or, if the Parish be vacant, the wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the president of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his Parish or Church; also the state and condition of the Sunday schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the communion alms, the contributions for missions (diocesan, domestic, and foreign), for parochial schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other clergyman not regularly settled in any Parish or Church shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in the Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, ADAMS.

The Rev. HENRY HERBERT SMYTHE, *Rector*.

JNO. S. ADAMS and LAWRENCE HAWORTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 5; total, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 2; total added, 3; died, 3; removed, 8; total lost, 11; present number, 36. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 65. Church: Value, \$32,000; sittings, 300. Chapel: Sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$32,000, approximated.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$89.23; pew rents and subscriptions, \$775; total, \$864.23. Sunday school, \$38.83. Ladies' Church Aid Society, \$106.42. Christmas celebration, \$105. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,174.48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$12.

Total of contributions, \$1,186.48.

REMARKS.

The present Rector has been in charge of St. Mark's Parish only since the fifth Sunday in Lent. Previous to that time and since the last report was made the parish has depended upon supplies for its pulpit.

The figures given with present report are intended to be as accurate as could at present be obtained. In previous reports the numerical strength has been somewhat overestimated as may be seen by reference to said reports. Services are now held in a hall, as the church within mentioned yet awaits completion. The number of attendants (regular) is between seventy-five and one hundred. For the past month or two the actual attendance at Sunday school has approximated the number given.

Under item "Increase and Improvement of Church Property" there ought to be placed a credit of about \$15,000. There was subscribed and reported one year ago the sum of \$15,000 for a new church; that church has been built and its estimated value is upwards of \$30,000; with the exception of a small sum this has been given by a generous parishioner, Mr. L. L. Brown. The property has not formally been conveyed to any trustees as yet, but upon completion will probably be so done.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, AMESBURY.

The Rev. ARTHUR WELLESLEY CHAPMAN, *Rector.*

KARL OSCAR BALCH, *Lay Assistant.*

PETER CLARK and WILLIAM FELTHAM, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 6; total added, 20; died, 1; removed, 16; total lost, 17; present number, 78. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 61. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 240. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,000; this being a parsonage fund left by the late Dr. Dorr of Philadelphia in street-railroad bonds.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.41. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$239.79; pew-rents, \$220.15; total, \$459.94. Increase and improvement of church property, by new Sunday-school room and church roof, \$730.84. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,204.19.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$9.

Total of contributions, \$1,213.19.

REMARKS.

St. James's Parish had gotten into a very disorganized condition at the time it came under the charge of its present Rector, having been without regular services since 1877; the congregation being barely kept together by the faithful efforts of Dr. Emery of Newburyport, who conducted occasional services as long as his health would permit. The church had suffered much in years past by members leaving, others moving away, and by an unusual number of deaths.

It is due to the congregation to say that, when the Bishop appointed them a pastor in June last, they manifested an earnest and willing disposition to second his efforts to place the church on a good sound footing once more; and very soon pastor and people were working as a unit, also being kindly assisted in their efforts by the ladies of Newburyport, and Mrs. Webb of Philadelphia. The church sadly needed repairs to make it fit and even safe for worship. The first thing done was to put a new roof on the church. Then we undertook to repair or rebuild the Sunday-school and vestry room, which was not only unhealthy, but unsafe and in a rotting condition; this has been torn down and added to, and now a room 53 by 25 feet takes its place, with portions partitioned off by glass folding-doors for Bible classes and infant Sunday school. With such a room we have been able to organize a very fair Sunday school of eleven officers and teachers and sixty-one members. Besides the Sunday school we have organized, and have in running order, a St. James's Young People's Literary Association; its object being to stimulate reading and mental culture. This has afforded much profitable pleasure to the young people, and has also increased their interest in the more immediate work of the church. This society now has fifty-five members.

St. James's Parish is a poor one, not having any wealthy members, and it has been a hard up-hill work to do what has been done; and had it not been for the generous assistance of friends of the Episcopal Church in Boston and Cambridge, who have aided us by contributing to the necessary funds to the amount of nearly five hundred dollars, we should have been in a sad plight. This, with what the parish was able to raise, has about paid for what has been done during the past year.

There is very much yet to be done, and much will yet be needed to complete the work begun.

GRACE CHURCH, AMHERST.**The Rev. FREDERICK BURGESS, *Rector*.****HORACE WARD and O. G. COUCH, *Church-Wardens*.**

Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Present number, 80. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$40,000. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$44,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.99. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$275; subscriptions, \$1.145; investments, \$20; total, \$1,440. Increase and improvement of church property, \$520. Parker library, \$10.16. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,991.15.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$9.49.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$27.86. Domestic missions: Colored mission, \$6.25; Indian mission, \$9.39. Foreign, \$6.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$50.

Total of contributions, \$2,050.64.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANDOVER.**The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., *Rector*.****HORACE H. TYER and WILLIAM MARLAND, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 6; total added, 13; died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7; present number, 109. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 84. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$3,375. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,375.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$37.50. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$240.01; pew rents, \$83.50; subscriptions, \$800.50; donations, \$142.12; investments, \$499.72. Sunday school (Christmas and Easter festivals), \$48. Increase and improvement of church property, \$175.25. Young Christian Soldier, \$8.10; Young Churchman, \$1.25. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,035.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$40.96. Convention Fund, \$18. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$20.25. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (from Sunday school), \$5. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston (from Sunday school), \$5. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$5. Alumni Professor, General Theological Seminary, \$10; Nashotah, \$7. American Church Building Fund, \$6. Sufferers by fire in Michigan, \$13.55. Deaf Mute School at Beverly, \$2. Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$3. Divorce Reform League of New England, \$10. Ladies' Sewing Society, box to House of Good Samaritan, Boston, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$155.76.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$35.26. Towards furnishing of mission chapel at Wakefield, \$10. Total, \$45.26.

Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$8.50; mission to deaf mutes, \$6; mission to colored people in the South, \$8; mission to Jews, \$3; White Earth (Indian) mission (from Sunday school), \$5; Salt Lake City mission (from Sunday school), \$5; to missions in Washington Territory (from Sunday school), \$5; to church at Kearney, Neb., \$5; Ladies' Society (work and materials, and \$13.70 cash, for Kiowa Hospital), \$46.40; total, \$91.90. Foreign missions in general, \$2.58; work at Wuchang, China (from Sunday school), \$5; to the mission in Liberia (from Sunday school), \$5; to the Bishop's College, China (from Sunday school), \$5; total, \$17.58. Lenten offering from Sunday school to general missions, \$11.19. Total for missionary contributions, \$165.93.

Total of contributions, \$2,357.64.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, *Rector*.

The Rev. C. D. BARBOUR, *Assistant*.

ALBERT GRIFFITHS and WILLIAM WILSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 2; total, 5. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Present number, about 50. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory and collections in church, about \$125; subscriptions, about \$275. Total, \$400.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$410.

REMARKS.

During the past year there has been a steady growth of the parish, and the congregations have largely increased. By the aid of friends outside the parish the church has been relieved of the mortgage of \$900, and the property has been vested in the Trustees of Donations. The parish is free from debt.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.

The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, *Rector*.

Communicants: Removed, 1; present number, 30. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 14. Church: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.89. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$108.88; donations, \$63; total, \$171.88. Tax on rectory, \$12. Care of church, fuel, etc., \$15. Total, \$219.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$3.51.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.12. Domestic missions: Indian missions, Sunday-school box, \$3.70; box for

Indians, through Dakota League, from the Ladies' Society, \$10; Michigan sufferers by forest fires, \$5. Foreign missions in general, \$6.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$42.32.

Total of contributions, \$265.60.

REMARKS.

Two boys from another diocese were confirmed in the church by Bishop F. D. Huntington of Central New York, in the summer.

The Rector's health is not strong, enabling him to hold but one service each Sunday.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEVERLY.

The Rev. JOHN CORNWELL WELWOOD, *Rector*.

JOHN D. LOVETT and AUSTIN D. KILHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 3; total, 4. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Present number, 60. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 74. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 231. Parsonage lot: Value, \$1,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$990.85; subscriptions, \$450; donations, \$208; total, \$1,648.85. Parochial missions, \$25. Towards building rectory, \$1,854. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,527.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28. Convention Fund, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$38.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$3,575.85.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, *Rector*.

The Revs. A. C. A. HALL, W. R. GARDNER, and EDWARD OSBORNE, *Assistants*.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., and EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 127; adults, 26; total, 153. Confirmed, 67. Communicants: Admitted, 71; received, 47; total added, 118. Died, 19; removed, 89; total lost, 108; present number, 751. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 50. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 294.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms-chests and for the poor, \$960.58. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$13,131.45; investments, \$674.04; total, \$13,805.49. Increase and improvement of church property, \$9,523.11. Other parochial objects: Various, \$1,404.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$25,693.68.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$135. Convention Fund, \$37.50. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$50. Christian or theological education, \$65. For other objects without the parish: Various, \$378.81. American Church Building Fund, \$31.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$747.81.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions in general, \$467.35. Foreign missions in general, \$45. Total for missionary contributions, \$612.35.

Total of contributions, \$27,053.84.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. **GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT**, *Rector*.

HENRY M. SNELL and **DANIEL L. WEYMOUTH**, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 1; total, 11. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 1; total added, 13; died, 2; removed, 10; total lost, 12; present number, 117. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$97.43. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,601.22. Sunday school, \$60.97. Increase and improvement of church property, \$75. Ladies' Aid Society, \$35. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,869.62.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$15. Relief of the widows and orphans of deceased clergymen, \$4.79. Relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen, \$11.86. American Church Building Fund, \$24.05. Total for objects without the parish, \$90.20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.55. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$24.24; Sunday school Lenten offering for Washington Territory, \$15; Woman's Auxiliary, \$32; total, \$71.24. Foreign missions in general, \$22.85. Total for missionary contributions, \$119.64.

Total of contributions, \$2,079.46.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. **WILLIAM H. MUNROE**, *Rector*.

JOHN FOX and **F. J. MUNROE**, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 1; total, 15. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 2; total added, 16; died, 1; present number, 175. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 140; Bible class, 14. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 700. Parsonage: Value, houses, \$18,200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$48,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$325; pew-rents, \$275; subscriptions, \$213; investments (rents of houses), \$1,502.94; other sources, \$262; total, \$2,577.94. Sunday school, \$141.62. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,719.56.

REMARKS.

While there has been a wholesome increase in the pew-rents and the collections at the offertory, our congregations have far more than doubled in

the last five months. If we are allowed to go on unmolested, we shall do a good work, and reap an abundant harvest. We hope to do our part in all church work the coming year. I am unable to give but an imperfect report, as I have been Rector of the church for a short time only.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN S. ROTCH and JOHN HOGG, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 36; adults, 10; total, 46. Confirmed, 21. Communicants: Admitted and received, 29; total added, 50; died, 5; removed, 22; total lost, 27; present number, 323. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 152. Parochial school: Teachers, 1; scholars, 29. Church: Sitzings, 925. Chapel: Sitzings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$12,426.27. Sunday school, \$303.03. Parochial missions and parochial school, \$7,096.24. Other parochial objects: Dorcas Society, \$1,023.03. In general, \$527.78. Total for objects within the parish, \$21,376.35.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$280. Convention Fund, \$75. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$264.29. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$100. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$846. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$65. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$25. Christian or theological education, \$200. In general, \$305. Wells Memorial, \$100. Woman's Free Hospital, \$150. Various churches, \$750. Young Men's Christian Association, Boston, \$50. Massachusetts Bible Society, \$273. Total for objects without the parish, \$2,683.29.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,010.12. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$1,168.59; by Woman's Missionary Department, \$1,235.60; by Woman's Missionary Department (boxes), \$858.10; Bishop Lyman, for theological education of colored men, \$1,459.81; total, \$4,722.10. Foreign missions in general, \$641.62. Total for missionary contributions, \$6,373.84.

Total of contributions, \$30,433.48.

CHAPEL OF THE EVANGELISTS, BOSTON.

The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, *Minister*.

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adults, 1; total, 23. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Present number, about 100. Marriages, 14. Funerals, 22. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 38; scholars, 315. Sewing school: Teachers, 18; scholars, 122. Girls' Industrial Club: Teachers, 7; scholars, 70.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, *Rector*.

The Rev. JOHN ALMA BEVINGTON, *Assistant*.

J. D. WILLIAMS FRENCH and ROBERT H. RICHARDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 47. Confirmed, 20. Communicants, 280. Marriages, 23. Funerals, 25. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 240.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$278.64. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,717.13; alms-chest, \$70.72; donations, \$440; total, \$3,227.85. Sunday school, \$102. Sewing school, \$30. Other parochial objects, \$31. Special offerings, \$27. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,696.49.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$59.50. Convention Fund, \$27. Christian or theological education, Nashotah, \$51.25. Work among deaf mutes in Boston, \$3.15. De Koven Memorial, \$40. Total for objects without the parish, \$180.90.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions in general, \$66.85. Mission to the Jews, \$29. Foreign missions in general, \$85. Total for missionary contributions, \$280.85.

Total of contributions, \$4,158.24.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE HICKMAN BUCK, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 29; adults, 1; total, 30. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, about 100. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 20. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 185. Church: Sitzings, 350. Chapel: Sitzings, 125. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$125. All current expenses: Collections in church, \$548.65; other sources, \$126.57; total, \$675.22. Sunday school, \$57.02; improvement of church property, proceeds of two "sales," \$351.25; donations for the benefit of the poor and Sunday school, \$227.28. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,435.77.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.13. Domestic Missions in General, \$52.30. Easter offering of the Sunday school for Domestic Missions, \$27.55. Foreign Missions in general, \$25. Total for missionary contributions, \$124.98.

Total of contributions, \$1,560.75.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector*.

The Rev. DAVID CLAIBORNE GARRETT, *Assistant*.

CAUSTEN BROWNE and SAMUEL RICE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 4; total, 14. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 17; received, 18; total added, 35; died, 2; removed, 8; total lost, 10; present number, 336. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 650. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$7,059.66. Sunday school, \$281.55; parish library, \$30; parochial missions, \$60; increase and improvement of church property, \$75; for parish poor, \$250; curate fund, \$351; by Sunday school, \$84.37. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,191.58.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$17.50. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25.50. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$14.50. Christian or theological education, \$180. Total for objects without the parish, \$237.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21. Domestic missions in general, \$3.03. Freedmen, \$6. Dakota League, \$18. Dr. Porter's School, Charleston, S.C., \$5. Foreign missions in general, \$8.53. Total for missionary contributions, \$61.56.

Total of contributions, \$8,490.64.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above, the Ladies' Aid Society has sent a box of clothing and other articles, valued at \$126, to a clergyman in Florida.

A Bible class for young men has been held in the church on Sunday afternoons during the winter, under the charge of the Rev. Charles P. Parker.

This is the fifteenth year during which this parish has held daily morning and evening prayer and the weekly and Saints' days celebration of the Holy Communion.

ST. ANNE'S CHAPEL (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. J. R. PEIRCE, *Minister in charge.*

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 5; total, 15. **Confirmed,** 13. **Communicants:** Admitted, 13; received, 13; total added, 26; died, 3; removed, 9; total lost, 12; present number, about 105. **Marriages,** 5. **Funerals,** 6. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 120.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,164.82; donations, \$150; total, \$1,314.82. Sunday school, \$42.81; increase and improvement of church property, \$220. Music and other choir expenses, \$126. Christmas festival and decorations, \$56. Easter festival and flowers, \$30.56. Offerings of the Sunday school, \$62. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,852.19.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15. Domestic missions in general, \$10; for Christianizing the Jews, \$11.15. Foreign missions in general, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$46.15.

Total of contributions, \$1,898.34.

REMARKS.

Among the missionary contributions mention should be made of two boxes of clothing, etc., sent by the Ladies' Aid Society, one to a mission of freedmen in Virginia, and the other to a feeble parish in this diocese.

Grateful acknowledgment is hereby made, in behalf of the congregation of St. Anne's Chapel, of \$150 from two persons outside the mission for the improvement of the church property.

A brass altar cross and vases have also been presented by a member of the Church of the Incarnation, New York, in memory of a beloved sister, one of the most devoted members of our little flock, who during the past year was called away to her heavenly home.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH (BOSTON HIGHLANDS), BOSTON.**The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, *Rector*.****W. RAYMOND LEE and ATHERTON T. BROWN, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 9; total, 20. Confirmed, 23; Communicants: Present number, 275. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$464.95. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$6,306.42. Sunday school, \$389. Reduction of church debt, \$633.58. Christmas decorations, \$57. Work of Benevolent Society, \$341.50. Work of Employment Society, \$252. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,444.45.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$95. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$80.85. Temperance work at Municipal Court, Roxbury, \$116.66. By Aid Society for miscellaneous charities, \$150. Total for objects without the parish, \$442.51.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Chapel of the Ascension, East Cambridge, \$85.06. Aid given by Helping Hand Society, \$47. Domestic missions in general, \$63. Indian missions, through "Helping Hand Society," \$73. Indian missions (two scholarships), \$120. For Mrs. Buford's Hospital, through "Helping Hand," \$32. General missions, through "Helping Hand," \$80. Mission for colored people, Jackson, Miss., by "Aid Society," \$100. Mission in Maine, \$25. Mrs. Buford's Hospital, by "Aid Society," \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$123.63. Total for missionary contributions, \$759.19.

Total of contributions, \$9,646.15.

REMARKS.

All departments of parish work have exerted themselves with their customary energy during the past year. The work at St. Anne's continues to thrive, as will be seen by the report of the minister-in-charge.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT), BOSTON.**The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D.D., *Rector*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 35; adults, 8; total, 43. Confirmed, 20. Communicants, 314. Marriages, 41. Funerals, 40. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 240.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$171.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$42. Convention Fund, \$15. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, mite chest, \$24.25. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$91.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Domestic missions in general, \$18.88. Mrs. Fannie C. Paddock Memorial Chapel, \$36.88. Bishop Garrett (Sunday school in memoriam), \$50. Total for missionary contributions, \$105.76.

Total of contributions, \$368.96.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (BOSTON HIGHLANDS), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, *Rector*.

DAVID CONNERY and JOHN FORSYTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 62. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Present number, about 285. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 35. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 303.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms-chest and Communion alms, \$49.50. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,307.93. Sunday school offerings in addition to amount of Indian scholarship, \$33.26. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,885.17. For Christmas festival and Easter flowers, \$71.18. For Employment Society, \$20.88. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,367.92.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40. Domestic missions in general, \$3; for the Jews, \$5; for support of scholarship in Niobrara, Indian mission (by Sunday school), \$60. Foreign missions in general, \$3; for support of bed in hospital in China, \$30. Total for missionary contributions, \$141.

Total of contributions, \$4,583.92.

REMARKS.

Twelve women have received work from the Employment Society. A box of clothing valued at \$40 has been sent to Africa. The church has been greatly improved by the addition of a small tower and the enlargement of the porch, and has been painted. The amount of \$1,623.51 raised for this purpose is credited to the parish in this report, although some of it was contributed by friends outside the parish.

It is hoped that in the year to come there may be larger offerings for the general missions of the Church.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST BOSTON.

The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, *Officiating Clergyman*.

GEORGE H. PLUMMER and WILLIAM A. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 20; adults, 5; total, 25. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 20; total added, 29; died, 5; removed, 20; total lost, 25; present number, 75. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 20. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 125. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, free.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$1,234.12; donations, \$150; other sources, \$200.40. Sunday school, \$200. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,784.52.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Diocesan Fund, \$12. Total for missionary contributions, \$32.

Total of contributions, \$1,816.52.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Mr. Munroe was Rector up to the 1st of December. The Rev. N. H. Chamberlain has had continuous charge of the parish since the second Sunday in January.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (JAMAICA PLAIN), BOSTON.

The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, *Rector*.

FRANK W. REYNOLDS and JOHN W. MCKIM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 31; total added, 41; died, 3; removed, 15; total lost, 18; present number, 230. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 28; scholars, 172. Church: Value, \$11,000; sittings, 475. Chapel: Value, \$1,800; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$267.96. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$199.15; pew-rents, \$2,295.12; subscriptions, \$559; other sources, \$2.60; total, \$3,055.87. Sunday school, \$137.42. Parish building fund, \$7,033.57. Sunday-school picnic, \$59.38. Christmas festival, \$99.25. Easter festival, \$68.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$10,721.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$87.50. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$15. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$50. Christian or Theological Education, \$54. House of Good Samaritan, \$25. Consumptives' Home, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$331.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$88.80. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$40.10; Indian missions, \$100; Fanny C. Paddock Memorial Hospital, \$10; expended on missionary boxes, \$53.48. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$10.09; Mexican League, \$50; Miss Pitman's salary, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$361.97.

Total of contributions, \$11,414.92.

REMARKS.

Of the amount mentioned in the above report as for the Building Fund, \$1,857.77 has been obtained through the instrumentality of the Parish Guild; \$690.79 have been received from the monthly offerings for that object, \$150 from the Sunday school, \$4,550 from subscriptions, and the balance, \$284.20, from accrued interest, etc.

The Parish Missionary Association has sent away two boxes.

The Sunday school has sent a large box of books and pamphlets to the Rev. J. L. Tucker, D.D., in aid of his work in Jackson, Miss.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH (BRIGHTON), BOSTON.

The Rev. AUGUSTUS PRIME, *Rector*.

Col. T. T. S. LAIDLEY, U.S.A., and JOHN H. STURGIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 1; total, 15. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 26; received, 3; total added, 29; died, 5; removed, 11; total lost, 16; present number, 87. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 57. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,325.24; donations for new Sunday-school room, \$250. Other parochial objects: Sick and poor, Christmas-tree, Christmas and Easter decorations, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,675.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$2.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.

Total of contributions, \$1,697.24.

REMARKS.

We have this year undertaken to build a basement schoolroom; when completed, it will cost about \$500. Half of the amount we have in hand. We have been sadly in want of a room for parish purposes.

During the past summer we have carpeted the church, the greater part of the money being raised by the ladies of St. Margaret's Guild.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, *Rector*.

JAMES S. BURBANK and HENRY C. EDDY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 3; total, 12. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 17; total added, 28; died, 6; removed, 14; total lost, 20; present number, 215. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 120.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$301.57. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$441.71; pew-rents, \$1,601.95; other sources, \$1,319.80; total, \$3,363.46. Sunday school, \$65. Other parochial objects, \$184. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,914.03.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$30. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$187. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$25. For other objects without the parish, \$14. Total for objects without the parish, \$256.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions in general, \$187.67. Indian missions, \$26.50. Freedmen, \$27. Foreign: Girls' school at Cape Palmas, \$50; girls' school at Shanghai, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$331.17.

Total of contributions, \$4,501.20.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. L. W. SALTONSTALL, *Rector*.

JOHN P. CLAPP and D. B. STEDMAN, Jr., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Present number, 180. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 5.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$208.18. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$692.70; collections in church, \$194.35; pew-rents, \$1,757.50; other sources, \$131.31; total, \$2,775.86. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,984.04.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$27.85. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$7.18. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$40. Christian or theological education, \$30.85. For other objects without the parish, \$162.91. Total for objects without the parish, \$268.79.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$35.12. Domestic missions in general, \$159.24. Foreign missions in general, \$55.05. Total for missionary contributions, \$249.41.

Total of contributions, \$3,502.24.

CHURCH OF ST. MARY (FOR SAILORS), BOSTON.

The Rev. JAMES MENDS HILLYAR, *Rector*.

RICHARD THOMAS and HENRY COTTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 2; total, 21. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Received, 3; died, 2; present number, 89. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$9,000; sittings, 500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$71.84. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$257.21; donations, \$68.50; other sources, \$50; total, \$375.71. Sunday school, \$12.78. Total for objects within the parish, \$460.33.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$11.52.

Total of contributions, \$471.85.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, *Rector*.

The Rev. ALFRED FOSTER WASHBURN, *Assistant*.

DAVID CLAPP and HENRY W. NELSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 88; adults, 2; total, 90. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 25; total added, 30; died, 20; removed, 10; total lost, 30; present number, 425. Marriages, 40. Funerals, 55. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 275. Parochial school: Teachers, 10; scholars, 55. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 650. Chapel: Sittings, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$271.41. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,164.66; pew-rents, \$2,146.72; investments in sinking-fund, \$654; other sources, \$428.86; total, \$4,392.24. Sunday school, \$250. Parochial missions: St. Matthew's Chapel, \$50. Rector's Bible class, \$50. Various charities, \$75. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,088.65.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$70. Convention Fund, \$30. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25. For other objects without the parish, \$30. Total for objects without the parish, \$155.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions in general, \$250. For the Jews, \$13.50. Foreign missions: John Wright scholarship, Jaffa, \$25; Joseph H. Clinch scholarship, Africa, \$30; Rosa Nicholson bed, China, \$30; Japan, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$368.50.

Total of contributions, \$5,612:15.

REMARKS.

The Assistant Minister, the Rev. Mr. Washburn, has done a very efficient missionary work during the six months he has been connected with the parish. He has also successfully trained a chorus choir made up of the young people from the Rector's Bible class. During the past year the parish has raised nearly \$700 toward the church debt. It is now reduced to about \$2,600, and we hope before the close of another year to completely pay this off.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D., *Rector*.

J. BAXTER UPHAM and HENRY A. TURNER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 4; total, 14. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; died, 2; present number, 275. Marriages, 4; Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 150. Church: Value, say \$350,000; sittings, say 800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$340.78. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew-rents and taxes, \$14,055.19; subscriptions, reduction of debt, etc., \$1,691.89; other sources, \$390.06. Sunday school, \$132.23. Parochial missions, Ladies' Advisory Board, Domestic Missionary Society, etc., \$243.04. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,000. Repairs, etc., \$2,390.58. Miscellaneous contributions, \$561.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$20,808.27.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$106.88. Sunday-school missionary offerings, \$150.83. Total for objects without the parish, \$257.71.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Episcopal City (Boston) mission, \$20.93; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$57.76; total, \$78.69. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.11. Domestic missions: Indians, \$100; freedmen and missions, \$68; total, \$168. Foreign missions: Mexican, \$50; foreign, \$102; total, \$152. Total for missionary contributions, \$428.80.

Total of contributions, \$21,494.78.

REMARKS.

The Rector, having entered upon his duties within only a week of the meeting of the Convention, can only report that the various parochial organizations, detailed in last year's return, have been in active operation, and accomplished good work.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., *Rector*.

The Revs. FREDERICK B. ALLEN and REUBEN KIDNER, *Assistants*.

CHARLES HENRY PARKER and CHARLES RUSSELL CODMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 26; adults, 13; total, 39. Communicants: Present number, about 1,000. Marriages, 26. Funerals, 46. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 58; scholars, 565; Bible classes, 100. Industrial School: Teachers, 33; scholars, 240.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$3,951.53. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$25,460; investments, \$7,415.80. Sunday school, \$514.25. Charitable societies of the parish, \$4,266.18. For Trinity House, \$5,234.06. Contributions of the Sunday school, \$994. Total for objects within the parish, \$47,835.82.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$2,783.85. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$510. Total for objects without the parish, \$3,293.85.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,603. Domestic missions in general, \$2,581. Indian missions, \$1,556.75. Massachusetts Bible Society, \$943. Sufferers in Michigan, \$525.50. Boston Young Men's Christian Association, \$3,345. Work among the freedmen at the South, \$994. Miscellaneous, \$5,681.50. Foreign missions in general, \$5,431. Total for missionary contributions, \$21,057.75.

Total of contributions, \$72,187.42.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Mr. Killikelly has resigned the position of Assistant Minister of the parish, and the Rev. Reuben Kidner has succeeded him in the charge of the Chapel of the Evangelists. He will report the year's work there.

During the past year Trinity House has been opened, at No. 13 Burroughs Place, as a home for many industrial and educational works for the benefit of the poor of Trinity Parish and of Ward 12.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 59. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 58. Church: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 400. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$16.42. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$100.

REMARKS.

No Treasurer's report has been received. In absence of any canonical regulations, those confirmed and residing within the limits of the parish are recorded as communicants if not known to belong to any other parish.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROCKTON.

ALEX. F. BURDON, *Warden*; E. H. BLAKE, *Treasurer*; T. W. STREET, *Clerk*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 9; total added, 10; died, 1; present number, 34. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 31. Chapel: Value, \$1,200; sittings, 154. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory, \$72.30; subscriptions, \$121.80; donations, \$50; total, \$244.10. Sunday school, \$12. Total for objects within the parish, \$256.10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.

Total of contributions, \$267.10.

REMARKS.

The accompanying report dates from 1st of January only. During the year 1881 the Rev. J. Nelson Jones, while in charge of this mission, assumed the entire control and management of all church funds, but has left no record of the same, so that it is impossible to make any report of amounts received or paid.

Since the beginning of the year various clergymen officiated for us on Sundays until the commencement of the Lenten season, when the Rev. Dr. Baird, of the Diocese of New York, undertook the duty, and has been regular in his attendance up to the present.

The Sunday school has been organized, and is steadily growing in favor, giving good promise for its future. The great and urgent need of the mission is a resident pastor. Until that is an accomplished fact, our growth must necessarily be slow.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLINE.

The Rev LEONARD KIP STORRS, *Rector*.

HENRY S. CHASE and THOMAS PARSONS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 3; total, 15. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 16; total added, 30; died, 4; removed, 9; total lost, 13; present number, 280. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 157.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$706.78. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$1,003.63; pew-rents, \$4,343.36; donations, \$300; total, \$5,646.99. Sunday school, Christmas and Easter festivals, \$172.19. Poor fund, Thanksgiving, \$94.64. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,620.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$205.70. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$46.81. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, from Sunday school, \$200. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$200. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$50. Christian or Theological Education, \$700. Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$90.55. American Church Building Fund, \$82.57.

The Rev. Alexander Crummell's Church in Washington, \$132.13. Total for objects without the parish, \$1,707.76.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$336.30; domestic missions in general, \$641.69; Indian missions, \$290.82; work in Texas, by ladies, \$150. Foreign missions in general, \$386.71. Zenana mission, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,845.52.

Total of contributions, \$10,173.88.

MISSION CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, EAST CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. CHARLES WADSWORTH DUFFIELD, *Missionary*.

JAMES WILLARD PRESTON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 2; total added, 14; died, 2; present number, 101. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$110.70; collections in church, \$274.58; other sources, \$349.72; total, \$735. Sunday school, \$66.47. Church building fund, \$170. Total for objects within the parish, \$971.47.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$22.36. Domestic missions: Hope School, Indian Mission in Niobrara, \$10.42. Total for missionary contributions, \$32.78.

Total of contributions, \$1,004.25.

REMARKS.

The prospects of the mission are encouraging. The energy of the people is now directed to the compassing of two projects, — that of securing a church building, and of contributing to the support of a Rector. The last is a new effort, and has met with a generous response; the building fund has increased to \$1,885, besides subscriptions which, when collected, will make the amount over \$3,000.

It is the belief of those most interested in this work that a church building of our own, centrally located, will insure the establishment of a large and self-sustaining parish.

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. JAMES FIELD SPALDING, *Rector*.

SAMUEL BATCHELDER and LUCIUS LAMBARD HUBBARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 21. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 16; received, 19; total added, 35; died, 4; removed, 6; total lost, 10; present number, 200. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 450. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Ministerial Fund, \$14,714.91.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$189.20. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory (pledged), \$1,501.63; offerings at the offertory (unpledged), \$1,482.98; from

investments, \$654.99; other sources, \$306.03; total, \$3,945.63. Sunday school offerings for current expenses, \$29.76. Increase and improvement of church property, \$232.81. Special offerings for the poor of the parish, \$108.50. Children's Christmas festival, \$69.47. Christmas and Easter decorations, \$50.20. Special thank-offerings, devoted to parochial objects, \$10. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,635.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$60. Convention Fund, 37.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$11.32. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$21.72. Cambridge Hospital (from the Sunday school), \$2.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$133.04.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions in general, \$41.49; Indian missions, \$19.08; Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$12.72; Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$13.78; scholarship at St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, \$40; to Memorial Hospital at Tacoma (of which \$20 from the Sunday school), \$25; to the Rev. Dr. Crummell, Washington, D.C., \$27.17; to the mission at Kearney, Neb. (from the Sunday school), \$5.20; two boxes sent by Parish Missionary Society to St. Paul's School, Dakota, and the Freedmen at Petersburg, Va., valued at \$112.50, \$296.94. Foreign missions in general, \$23.31; towards the Rev. Mr. Tyng's life-insurance, \$12.50; total, \$35.84. Total for missionary contributions, \$432.78.

Total of contributions, \$5,201.39.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, NORTH CAMBRIDGE (*with St. James's Chapel, West Somerville, included in the Parish*).

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, *Rector*.

CHARLES M. ADDISON, JAMES W. SUTER, and ALBERT S. PILLSBURY,
Lay Readers.

JAMES M. BARKER and CHARLES R. WOODS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 1; total, 12. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 21; total added, 25; died, 1; removed, 22; total lost, 23; present number, 117. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 9. Church Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 130. Chapel Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 51. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 275. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 175. Parish House, Land, and Building Fund, \$1,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$61.99. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, church, \$1,439.52; offerings at the offertory, chapel, \$216.85; total, \$1,656.37. Church Sunday school, \$81.27; chapel Sunday school, \$33.12; total, \$114.39. Chapel Sunday-school library, etc., \$40. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,045.22. Increase and improvement of chapel property, \$264.97. Christmas festivals of Sunday schools, \$134.56. Easter festivals, \$39.66. Trinity festivals, \$7.89. The poor, \$29.78. Printing, \$17.25. Miscellaneous, \$36.37. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,448.45.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$15. Convention Fund, \$15. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$16.12. Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$9.38. Christian or theological education, \$1.10. Dean Stanley Memorial, \$5. Fannie C. Paddock Memorial Hospital, Washington Territory, \$208.63. Cambridge Social Union, \$5. Bethesda Society, Boston, \$5. Miscellaneous, \$6.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$286.98.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.01. Domestic missions in general, \$116.70. Dakota League, \$10. For Mrs. Payne's salary, \$4. For Indian missions, \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$107.72. Africa, \$1. For Miss Riddick, \$2. Total for missionary contributions, \$269.43.

Total of contributions, \$4,004.86.

REMARKS.

St. James's Chapel, whose work is included in the above report, is an adjunct of St. James's Church, distant from the church a mile or more across the Somerville line. It has its own independent congregation, Sunday school, and services, all under the general supervision of the Rector, but under the immediate care, the past two years, of Mr. Addison, a student of the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, assisted by Mr. Suter of the same institution; Mr. Pillsbury having charge of the Sunday school. A very useful home-mission work is going on here, and is self-supporting. The chapel has been greatly improved by the substitution of pews for chairs, and by the acquisition of a fine cabinet-organ. The Rector cannot speak too warmly of the zeal and devotion displayed by all engaged in carrying on the chapel work.

The matters of greatest interest at the church have been the complete renovation of the building, inside and out, and the purchase of additional ground directly in the rear, on which it is proposed to erect a parish house as soon as the funds are raised. The land has been paid for during the year, and about four hundred dollars is already in hand for the building. "St. James's House" will be used for the Sunday school, and will have conveniences for the missionary, charitable, and social work of the parish.

The parish has met all its financial obligations, and begins the new year without debt and with a surplus in the chapel treasury. A box of books has been sent to the Mississippi State Prison.

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D., *Dean*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 14. Marriages, 3. Burials, 7. Families and parts of families, 115. Individuals, about 300. Communicants, 170. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For expenses of the services and Sunday school, raised by subscriptions and collections (no salary being paid by the congregation to the Dean), \$2,085.87. Bishop's salary, \$52.75. Theological education (directly and through societies), \$440.86.

MISSIONS.—Diocesan, \$50. Domestic, \$322.20. Indians, \$256.75. Freedmen, \$142.70. Mexican, \$153.26. Foreign, \$210.80. Total for missions, \$1,135.71.

Miscellaneous, \$46.84.

Total offerings, \$3,762.03.

(Of the offerings for missions, the Ladies' Missionary Society raised \$732.45 in cash and in gifts.)

REMARKS.

This congregation is not organized, being composed of such persons as avail themselves of the services in this chapel of the Episcopal Theological School, which is open to the public, after Harvard students are provided

for, of which latter about one hundred make it their place of worship. The numbers of families, persons, and communicants given above refer to those who attend with regularity, and who are registered at their own request. Besides them are a considerable number who attend occasionally only, but who swell the usual congregation to an average of about four hundred. These statistics are part of the Dean's personal report, and are given to complete the statistics of the diocese, although the chapel and congregation stand in no relation to the Convention.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE, *Rector*.

HENRY W. WINKLEY, *Lay Reader*.

EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M.D., and WILLIAM W. DALLINGER,
Church-Wardens.

Baptisms: Infants, 23; adults, 2; total, 25. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Admitted, 16; received, 11; total added, 27; died, 2; removed, 13; total lost, 15; present number, 303. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 178.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$83.06. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$3,470.89. Sunday school, \$23.40. Increase and improvement of church property, \$13.05. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,590.40.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30. Christian or theological education, \$50. Cambridge Hospital, \$200. Total for objects without the parish, \$280.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18. Domestic missions in general, \$73. Foreign missions in general, \$17.05. Scholarship, China, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$138.05.

Total of contributions, \$4,008.45.

REMARKS.

This parish has this year adopted the *free church* system, raising the income by voluntary pledges. The plan has operated successfully, and the revenue of the parish has increased.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, CHELMSFORD.

The Rev. J. JEWETT CRESSEY, *Officiating Clergyman*.

CHARLES D. CLARKE and ALLEN T. HODGE, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Removed, 4; present number, 36. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,000. Chapel: Sitings, 60. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$284.71. Increase and improvement of church property, \$511.31. Total for objects within the parish, \$796.02.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.

Total of contributions, \$803.02.

REMARKS.

We are hoping to get into our new church this summer early. We need funds to entirely complete the building; with what we have we can, however, use the church. The parish people hope when once in the church that we shall draw others to us. The services are well attended. The people are quite in earnest, — at least, many of them. We suffer even in this little town by removals from the parish. Eight have left town this year belonging to us.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHELSEA.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *Rector*.

G. M. GOLDING and E. P. CONNER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 28; adults, 3; total, 31. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Admitted, 33; received, 14; total added, 47; died, 2; removed, 12; total lost, 14; present number, 177. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 186. Church: Value, \$15,500; sittings, 350.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$125. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$463.93; collections in church, \$28.96; pew-rents, \$918.31; investments, \$90; other sources, \$12.11; total, \$1,513.31. Sunday school, \$130.71. Increase and improvement of church property, \$511.92. Ladies' Social Circle, \$120.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,401.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$10. Convention Fund, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6. Domestic missions: Bishop Whipple, \$7; Bishop J. A. Paddock, \$7. Foreign missions: Mexico, \$2.75. Total for missionary contributions, \$22.75.

Total of contributions, \$2,444.44.

REMARKS.

During the past year the much-needed work of repairing and improving the church has been continued. The painting of the exterior, which had been commenced at the date of the last Convention, has been completed in a thorough manner. The chancel and gallery arches have been completely remodelled, giving the church a greatly improved interior effect, as well as improved ventilation. A superior new furnace has taken the place of one of the old ones, and the other (old one) has been repaired. These, together with a changed plan of cold-air registers, proved so satisfactory the past winter that we now regard the heating arrangements as being complete. Other improvements yet needed are in contemplation, and it is hoped will be effected the present year. The services are generally very well attended, hearty and spirited; and the fact that the young persons of both sexes show an increased interest in the parish and its work is not the least encouraging of the signs of the times.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CLINTON.

The Rev. ETIENNE THEODORE HAMEL, *Minister*.

GEORGE WASHINGTON BASCOM and JOHN BEAVEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9. Communicants: Received, 14; died, 1; removed, 8; total lost, 9; present number, 99. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 160. Church: Sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,130.23. Sunday school, \$83.69. Increase and improvement of church property, \$180. Church and school furniture, \$30. Relief of the needy, \$26. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,449.92.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28. Convention Fund, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40. Domestic missions in general, \$15. Total, \$55.

Total of contributions, \$1,544.92.

CALVARY CHURCH, DANVERS.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN R. TIBBETTS and JOHN R. FULLER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8. **Confirmed,** 6. **Communicants:** Admitted, 6; received, 1; total added, 7; removed, 2; present number, 93. **Marriages,** 4. **Funerals,** 6. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 70. **Church:** Value, \$5,000; sittings, 275. **Parsonage lot:** Value, \$600. **Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish,** \$5,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$372.96; collections in church, \$28.81; subscriptions, \$33.71; from investments, \$105.75; other sources, \$90.67. Total for objects within the parish, \$631.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$6. Society for promotion of Christianity among the Jews, \$1.82. Total for objects without the parish, \$7.82.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions in general: Sunday-school offering, \$13.19; box for Indian missions, value, \$25. Foreign missions: box for Africa, value, \$7. Total for missionary contributions, \$55.19.

Total of contributions, \$694.91.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, DEDHAM.

The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, *Rector*.

WILLIAM B. WELCH and EPHRAIM L. FROTHINGHAM, Jr., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13. **Confirmed,** 10. **Communicants:** Admitted, 8; received, 4; total added, 12; died, 1; removed, 6; total lost, 7; present number, 75. **Marriages,** 3. **Funerals,** 16. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 114. **Church:** Value, \$10,000; sittings, 280.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$36.22. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$216.72; pew-rents, \$238.17; subscriptions, \$740; other sources, \$303.25; total, \$1,498.14. Sunday school, \$104.63; parish library, \$41.50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$2,734.61. Other parochial objects, \$152.95. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,568.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$17.50. Convention Fund, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$29.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6. Domestic missions in general, \$185.03. Foreign missions in general, \$42.93. Total for missionary contributions, \$233.96.

Total of contributions, \$4,831.51.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DEDHAM.

The Rev. ARTHUR MANN BACKUS, *Rector*.

IRA CLEVELAND and THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 6; total added, 15; died, 5; removed, 9; total lost, 14; present number, 207. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 116. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 160. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$36,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$175.38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$514.06; collections in church, \$71; pew-rents, \$1,371; subscriptions, \$770.07; donations, \$65; investments, \$617; total, \$3,408.13. Sunday school, \$139. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,722.51.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$16. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5.15. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston (box of goods), \$45. Christian or theological education, \$50. St. Stephen's Sunday school (Christmas gifts), \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$171.15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$113.97. Domestic missions in general, \$13.50. Fannie C. Paddock Memorial Hospital, \$75. Jews, \$8.15. Children's Hospital in Omaha (from Sunday school), \$42. Box to Indians at Sisseton Agency, \$81. Foreign missions in general, \$70. For Miss Pitman's salary, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$413.62.

Total of contributions, \$4,307.28.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, EASTHAMPTON.

[No report.]

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. ALBERT ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D., *Rector*.

BORDEN CHASE and CHARLES PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 32; adults, 7; total, 39. Confirmed, 26. Communicants: Admitted, 26; received, 16; total added, 42; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 209. Marriages, 19. Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 160. St. Mark's mission-school: Teachers, 14; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$65,000; sittings, 618. Chapel, St. Mark's Mission: Value, \$1,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$88,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$80.34. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$800.37; pew-rents, \$1,483.37; subscriptions, \$190.50; other sources, \$557.08; total, \$3,031.32. Sunday school (raised by the school in offerings), \$140. Parochial missions (raised by St. Mark's Mission), \$239.20. Other parochial objects, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,540.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$103. Convention Fund, \$40. Christian or theological education, \$10.20. Fall River Children's Home, \$40. To aid St. John's Parish, \$75. To aid St. John's Parish (by St. Mark's), \$9. Total for objects without the parish, \$377.20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$34.28; from St. Mark's Mission, \$3.59. Domestic missions: For work among the Jews, \$8; to Mrs. Payne, for her work, \$5. Foreign missions: Scholarship at Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum (from the Sunday school of the parish), \$50. Total for missionary contributions, \$98.87.

Total of contributions, \$4,016.93.

REMARKS.

Under the head of Domestic Missions, perhaps it ought to be mentioned that valuable boxes have been sent to the Freedmen (in charge of Mrs. Payne, Petersburg, Va., through the Women's Auxilliary), and that the ladies of the parish have, for the most part, clothed three colored men preparing for the holy ministry in Virginia.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, *Rector*.

GEORGE WATTERS and OLIVER P. HOWARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 59; adults, 8; total, 67. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Present number, 100. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 30; scholars, 260. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$39.10. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$704.67; other sources (Ladies' Circle), \$293; total, \$997.67. Sunday school, \$183.70. Increase and improvement of church property: by donations, \$355; by Ladies' Circle, \$391.12. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,966.59. Land Fund: Donations from individuals, \$3,072.91; from churches, \$128; total, \$3,200.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Fall River, \$7.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$17.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.35. Foreign missions: China, \$10; Japan, \$4; Africa, \$4. Total for missionary contributions, \$43.35.

Total of contributions, \$2,027.44.

REMARKS.

The entire debt on the land has been paid off. This would have been impossible but for generous aid from without the parish. We gratefully

acknowledge a special gift of \$1,000 from gentlemen in Boston, names unknown; also \$500 from the Misses Mason of Boston; together with gifts from individuals in Boston, Swansea, Providence, R.I., Worcester, Fitchburg, Quincy, and Warren, R.I., and contributions from churches in Fall River, Taunton, and Holyoke. These, added to our own Easter collection in church and Sunday school, amounted to \$3,200, and freed the parish from debt. Of this amount, \$128 was received from churches, and will be included in the various Parish Reports; the remainder, \$3,072 (\$700 Easter collections in church and Sunday school, and \$2,372 from individuals), not elsewhere reported, should be added to the \$2,027.44 parish and missionary offerings above reported, making the total of church gifts for the year in St. John's, Fall River, \$5,100.35.

The Rector took charge of the parish July last, for one year. At the Easter Monday meeting he was elected Rector in full charge. The parish has received aid as a mission from the Diocesan Board, at the rate of \$300 a year, since its organization, September, 1878; it has applied for \$200 for the coming year, and hopes at the next Convention to apply for admission into union with the Convention as a self-supporting parish.

GRACE CHURCH, FISKDALE.

The Rev. ARTHUR HENRY BARRINGTON, *Rector*.

BRADFORD W. NICHOLS and AUSTIN B. RICE, M.D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 5; total added, 8; removed, 9; present number, 22. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 62.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, . \$19.90. All current expenses, including the Rector's salary: Subscriptions, \$820.50; special, \$40; other sources, \$148.01; total, \$1,008.51. Sunday school, \$79.58. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,107.99.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Foreign missions in general, \$2.03.

Total of contributions, \$1,110.02.

REMARKS.

The changes which always occur in such manufacturing villages have been unusually large in our parish during the last year. This, together with the fact that the church was for some time without a Rector, had its effect upon the parish.

CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG.

The Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, *Rector*.

DENNIS FAY and GEORGE D. COLONY, M.D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 6; total, 15. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Present number, 208. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 142. Church: Value, \$61,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value (furnished now), \$500; sittings, 120. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$61,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$125. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory,

\$477.85; pew-rents, \$1,942.09; subscriptions, \$85.84; other sources, \$300; total, \$2,805.78. Sunday school, \$402.68. Parish library, \$40. Increase and improvement of church property (for chapel), \$3,000. Other parochial objects, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,423.46.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$56. Convention Fund, \$27. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$19.11. Christian or theological education, \$120. Total for objects without the parish, \$222.11.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$96.75. Domestic missions in general: box valued at \$66.62; box valued at \$41.16; box valued at \$134.45; box valued at \$4.50; offering, \$82. Foreign missions in general, \$16.70. Total for missionary contributions, \$442.18.

Total of contributions, \$7,087.75.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FRAMINGHAM.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Rector*.

JAMES W. BROWN, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 14; total added, 17; died, 2; present number, 65. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$438.84.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$6.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30. Missions in general, \$12. Total for missionary contributions, \$42.

Total of contributions, \$486.84.

REMARKS.

The Rector assumed charge of this parish the fourth Sunday in Advent, Dec. 18; the rectorship having been vacant since January, 1879, services having in the mean time been supplied mostly by lay reading. Renewed interest is evident on the part of the people; the Sunday school, for so long a time closed, has been re-opened; and encouragement is felt to hope that the parish may recover from its serious losses of several years past, and that brighter and more prosperous days are near at hand.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HOOPER, *Rector*.

JOHN H. STACY and WILLIAM BABSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 63. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 57.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$579.58. Sunday school, \$32.77. Christmas Sunday-school festival, \$8.96. For the sick, \$12.92. Total for objects within the parish, \$634.23.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$4.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$23.08. Domestic missions in general, \$23.01; work among the colored people, \$10; Sunday school, for the Rev. Mr. Tucker, Jackson, Miss., \$10.75; total, \$43.76. Foreign missions in general, \$13.01. Total for missionary contributions, \$79.80.

Total of contributions, \$718.53.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREAT BARRINGTON.

The Rev. DANIEL G. ANDERSON, *Rector*.

M. L. WHITLOCK and JUSTIN DEWEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 3; total, 9. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 1; total added, 9; died, 3; present number, 169. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 98. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 450. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$29,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$62.74. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$244.14; pew-rents, \$1,403.65; other sources, \$601.95; total, \$2,249.74. Sunday school, Christmas celebration, \$74.42. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,386.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$18. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$14.71. Christian or theological education, \$30. Total for objects without the parish, \$62.71.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.60. Foreign missions in general, \$20.45. Total for missionary contributions, \$46.05.

Total of contributions, \$2,495.66.

REMARKS.

Our Rector is seriously ill and unable to attend to making out the annual report to the Convention. It is made out from the best data obtainable by M. Ludlow Whitlock, Senior Warden. The parish remains in the same good position as reported last year.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH, *Rector*.

SIMEON PHILLIPS and CHARLES R. LOWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 4; total, 9. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 1; total added, 10; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 155. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$28,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$82.16. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church,

\$268.85; pew-rents, \$1,229.48; donations, \$24; investments, \$15.22; Sunday-school collections, \$48.11; total, \$1,580.66. Sunday school, \$32.08; increase and improvement of church property, \$621; parish debt, \$340.68. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,656.53.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35; Convention Fund, \$16.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$51.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$56.27. Domestic missions in general, \$25.45. Three barrels of clothing, and money sent to Rev. J. J. Enmegahbowh, \$135.50. Foreign missions in general, \$11.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$228.72.

Total of contributions, \$2,936.75.

REMARKS.

The Rev. N. W. Munroe has very kindly assisted in the celebration of the Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month and the great festivals.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HANOVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., *Officiating Minister*.

LEMUEL CUSHING WATERMAN and WARREN WRIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infant, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; died, 2; present number, 72. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 42. Church: Value, \$10,850; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$4,600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,450.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$191.13. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,350. Sunday school (\$31.47 contributed by the Sunday school), \$135.97; parish library, \$30.06; increase and improvement of church property, \$270.60; other parochial objects, \$50.34. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,028.10.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28; Convention Fund, \$15; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$45.38; relief of poor, \$20; relief of Michigan clergy, sufferers from forest fires, \$70; needy parish, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$188.38.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$35. Missions in general, \$25. Total for missionary contributions, \$60.

Total of contributions, \$2,276.48.

REMARKS.

Of the foregoing contributions, \$45 came from the parish sewing-circle. An Episcopal chair of carved ash has been presented by the two devoted ladies at whose expense the chancel was added in 1880.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 7; total, 18. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 1; total added, 5; died, 1; removed, 2; total

lost, 3; present number, 70. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 74. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, including offerings for sufferers by the fire, \$621.61. Sunday school, \$28.40. Increase and improvement of church property, \$28.50. Christmas tree and decorations, \$46.22. Easter cards, \$6. For the poor, through the "Rector's Aid," \$56. Total for objects within the parish, \$786.73.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$2. Domestic missions in general, \$3. Hospital box for Rev. Mr. Ashley, through the "Women's Auxiliary," \$20. Total, \$23. Foreign missions in general, \$3. Sunday-school Lenten offering for Joppa, \$3.45. Total \$6.45. Total for missionary contributions, \$31.45.

Total of contributions, \$818.18.

TRINITY CHURCH, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, *Rector*.

EDWARD F. ADAMS and CHARLES T. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 7; total, 24. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 10; total added, 16; died, 3; removed, 10; total lost, 13; present number, 214. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 125. Church: Sittings, 400. Chapel: sittings, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$86.09. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,859.29. Sunday school, \$267.87; increase and improvement of church property, \$1,025.06; music, \$175.27; Christmas and Easter decorations, \$29. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,442.58.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$21. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Christian or theological education, Seabury Divinity School, \$15. St. Luke's Orphanage, Haverhill, \$51. Relief of sufferers by fire, Haverhill, \$27. St. Paul's, Peabody, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$141.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30; Eastern Convocation, \$17.28; total, \$47.28. Domestic missions in general, \$63; towards Mrs. Payne's salary, \$5; towards Sister Eliza's salary, \$6; estimated value of box to Mrs. Buford, \$99.29; estimated value of box to Rev. Mr. Goodwin, \$60; scholarship St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, \$20; total, \$259.29. Foreign missions in general, \$20; towards Miss Pitman's salary, \$5; bed in Hospital at Wuchang, \$15; total, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$346.57.

Total of contributions, \$3,930.65.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOLYOKE.**The Rev. HENRY LEWIS FOOTE, *Rector.*****GEORGE H. LE DOYT and ELIAS P. FORD, *Church-Wardens.***

Baptisms: Infants, 8. **Communicants:** Received, 16; died, 2; removed, 11; total lost, 13; present number, 170. **Marriages,** 11. **Funerals,** 9. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 150. **Church and lot:** Value, \$20,000; sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$334.44; pew-rents, \$1,463.79; subscriptions, \$42.80; Ladies' Aid Society, \$320.04; total, \$2,161.07. Sunday school, \$135.56; increase and improvement of church property, \$125; payment of debt, \$2,567.91. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,989.54.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.80. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Erection of churches and chapels, \$9.41. Sufferers from Michigan fires, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$99.71.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$34.27. Domestic missions in general, \$8; rectory at Kearney, Neb., \$11.50; Utah schools, \$49; total, \$68.50. Foreign missions in general, \$18.40; schools in Mexico, \$60; total, \$78.40. Total for missionary contributions, \$181.10.

Total of contributions, \$5,270.35.

REMARKS.

In the number of communicants those only are reported who are believed to have availed themselves of their privileges during the year past. Owing to the kind generosity of some of the parish outside of the city, its debt (\$2,500) has been wholly liquidated since the last report. The money has been subscribed, and the building of a rectory will be under way by the time this report is published.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOPKINTON.**WILLIAM KENNEDY and DANIEL WATSON McLEOD, *Church-Wardens.***

Baptisms: Infants, 1. **Communicants,** 13. **Valuation of property belonging to the parish:** Glebe, \$2,900; school land, \$500; total, \$3,400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$5.

CHRIST CHURCH, HYDE PARK.**The Rev. EDWARD AUGUSTUS RAND, *Officiating Clergyman.***

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 2; total, 14. **Confirmed,** 4. **Communicants:** Admitted, 4; received, 2; total added, 6; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3; present number, 110. **Funerals,** 15. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 90. **Church:** Sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$45.59. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory,

\$500.01; pew-rents, \$1,127.15; subscriptions, \$1,026.38; donations, \$70.67; total, \$2,724.21. Sunday school, \$57.62. E. A. R. Club, \$16.13. Parish Guild, \$15. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,858.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$73.50. Convention Fund, \$15. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$5. Christian or theological education, \$5. American Church-Building Fund Commission, \$14.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$112.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$24. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$10; Sunday school, to work among the freedmen, \$8; Sunday school, to work among the Indians, \$5; Sunday school, towards half scholarship, Duane Hall, China, \$12.50; ladies, towards half scholarship, Duane Hall, China, \$12.50; for the Jews, \$3; box for Dakota League, \$38; box for Hospital for Children, Bishop Clarkson's diocese, \$33; cash, \$2; total, \$35. Foreign missions in general, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$158.

Total of contributions, \$3,130.30.

REMARKS.

The parish, the past year, has thrown off a discouraging burden of indebtedness, begins its financial year with a balance in its favor, and has several hundred dollars on hand with which to make improvements about the church.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, IPSWICH.

[No Report.]

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBOROUGH.

The Rev. CHARLES JAMES PALMER, *Officiating Clergyman.*

GEORGE B. SHERMAN and FRANK NOURSE, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; died, 1; present number, 58. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 20. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 350. Parsonage: Value, \$1,500; fund, \$9,500; land, \$1,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$14. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$48.29; subscriptions, \$176.50; donations, \$43.91; investments, \$785.89; other sources, \$21.86; total, \$1,076.45. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,090.45.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.40.

Total of contributions, \$1,095.85.

GRACE CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, *Rector.*

The Rev. AUGUSTINE H. AMORY, *Assistant.*

JAMES PAYNE and JAMES H. KIDDER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 31; adults, 7; total, 38. Confirmed, 21. Communicants: Admitted, 21; received, 41; total added, 62; died, 2; removed, 25;

total lost, 27; present number, 885. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 28. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 41; scholars, 400. Sewing school: Teachers, 7; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$328.39. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$3,276.72; subscriptions, \$487.50; total, \$3,764.22. Sunday school, \$44.25. Parochial missions: St. Paul's, North Andover, \$80. Increase and improvement of church property, \$299.49. Easter expenses, \$36.68. Christmas expenses, \$37.90. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,590.93.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$135.40. Convention Fund, \$36. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$154.30. Christian or theological education, \$56.69. American Bible Society, \$20. Lawrence City Mission, \$141.50. Lawrence Invalids' Home, \$171.23. Total for objects without the parish, \$715.12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$75. Domestic missions in general, \$156.88; for the Jews, \$10.32; for colored people, \$139.52; for Indians, \$25; other special missions in the West, \$570; total, \$901.72. Foreign missions in general, \$153.56; special, \$40; total, \$193.56. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,170.28.

Total of contributions, \$6,476.33.

REMARKS.

The report of St. Paul's Mission, North Andover, is given by the Rev. A. H. Amory, minister-in-charge.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, *Rector*.

N. P. H. MELVIN and JAMES WALTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 38; adults, 5; total, 43. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: Admitted, 19; received, 9; total added, 28; died, 6; removed, 20; total lost, 26; present number, 200. Marriages, 18. Funerals, 25. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$111.83. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$480.20; pew-rents, \$1,209; other sources, \$1,169.09; total, \$2,858.29. Sunday school, \$100. Choir-boys' vacation, \$44.95. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,115.07.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$22.50. Lawrence city mission, \$35. Lawrence Invalids' Home, \$22. Sick at hospital, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$99.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50.

Total of contributions, \$3,264.57.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEE.

The Rev. SAMUEL HAVEN HILLIARD, *Rector*.

LUCIUS CROCKER and JOHN HANNA, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Communicants: Present number, 50. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$11.80. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$52.00; pew-rents, \$117.75; donations (from Ladies' Aid Society), \$25; other sources, \$2.06; total, \$197.50. Sunday school, \$34.25. Increase and improvement of church property: furnace, \$100. The choir, \$105. Total for objects within the parish, \$448.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Christian or theological education, \$5. Relief of widows and orphans of deceased clergy, \$0.50. St. Barnabas House, New York, \$10.66. Total for objects without the parish, \$16.16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12.25. Domestic missions in general, \$20. Total for missionary contributions, \$32.25.

Total of contributions, \$496.96.

REMARKS.

This report embraces only the time since the present Rector assumed the charge of the parish; viz., from Nov. 28, 1881. During the first half of the Conventional year the parish was served by occasional supplies, and was without regular income. The Rector, besides two services at St. George's every Sunday, has held service at the Union Chapel in South Lee on the afternoon of the first and third Sundays in the month, and at the Union Chapel in East Lee on the fourth Sunday in the month, in the evening.

There has been no confirmation, the parish being without a Rector at the time of the Bishop's visitation in September.

TRINITY CHURCH, LENOX.

The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 3; died, 1; present number, 50. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Church: Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), \$139.74. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$375; pew-rents, \$1,500; subscriptions, \$125; investments, \$12.12; total, \$2,012.12. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,151.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.30. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Sufferers from fire in Michigan, \$755. Total for objects without the parish, \$832.30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$95. Value of box for freedmen, \$250; for Indians, \$28.50. Domestic missions in gen-

eral, \$125. Foreign missions in general, \$175. Total for missionary contributions, \$673.50.

Total of contributions, \$3,637.66.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LONGWOOD.

The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, *Rector*.

S. L. BUSH and S. H. GREGORY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 3; total, 7. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 8; total added, 16; removed, 9; present number, 147. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$50,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$54,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$154.75. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,804.13; pew-rents, \$1,089.05; subscriptions, \$685.50; total, \$4,668.68; increase and improvement of church property, \$404.88; Christmas expenses, \$91; special, \$500. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,819.31.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$59.38; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$72.10; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$155.40; Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$56.63; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$100.41; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$45.00; Christian or theological education (Paul Caryl Zotum), \$13; American Church Building Commission, \$10.50; Society for Increase of Ministry, \$25.00; Woman's Auxillary, \$65.40. Total for objects without the parish, \$603.44.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$130.51. Domestic missions in general, \$236.70; mite-chest, \$33.67; total, \$270.37. Foreign missions in general, \$186.62; scholarship, Orphanage in Mexico, \$60; total, \$246.62. Total for missionary contributions, \$647.50.

Total of contributions, \$7,070.25.

REMARKS.

The chief event of the year has been the making the church free. The new system went into effect Oct. 1, 1881, and thus far with most encouraging results. The statement of offerings as given above is in part under the pew system, and in part under the new.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D., *Rector*.

The Revs. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON, and DAVID JACOBS AYERS, *Assistants*.

JOHN O. GREEN, M.D. and JOHN M. PEVEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 72; adults, 8; total, 80. Confirmed, 25. Communicants: Admitted, 29; received, 4; total added, 33; died, 5; removed, 3; total lost, 8; present number, 492. Marriages, 43. Funerals, 43. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 31; scholars, 215. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 616. Chapel: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 200. School building:

Value, \$8,000. Parsonage: Value, \$13,300; bells, organ, library, etc., \$11,700. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$83,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$178.79. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$3,724.21. Sunday school, \$60.39; rector's library, \$42.99; surpliced choir for Sunday evenings, \$179.37; Bibles, prayer-books, and hymnals for distribution, \$60.66; home work in St. Anne's, \$53.07. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,299.48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$25.45; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$28.68; hospital Sunday, \$88.21; Christian or theological education, \$209.07; erection of churches and chapels, \$154.46; church mission for deaf-mutes, \$16.69; Clergymen's Mutual Insurance League, \$14.75; St. Mary's Orphanage, \$264.87; Michigan sufferers by fire, \$92.58. Total for objects without the parish, \$894.71.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$127.04. Domestic missions in general, \$191.27; for Colorado, \$55; Oregon, \$10.85; valuation of two missionary boxes, \$150; Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$11.34; total, \$478.46. Foreign missions in general, \$82.98; church in Sandwich Islands, \$22.76; total, \$105.69. Total for missionary contributions, \$711.19.

Total of contributions, \$5,905.38.

REMARKS.

Since the autumn, the Rev. David J. Ayers has been working in this parish as a second assistant, and has most successfully conducted a choral service on Sunday evenings since Christmas Day, with a surpliced choir of about thirty-six men and boys. These services have been well attended. Divine service has also been carried on by the clergy of St. Anne's on Sunday afternoons at a little manufacturing settlement about two miles from Lowell, called Phenix, with a fair attendance.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, *Rector.*

HENRY P. WEBBER and SAMUEL J. GIBBY, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 23; adults, 4; total, 27. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 16; total added, 27; died, 1; removed, 33; total lost, 34; present number, 280. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 165. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms, not otherwise reported, \$55.52. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$380.40; pew-rents, \$1,347; donations, from Improvement Society, \$50; total, \$1,777.40. Sunday school, \$81; increase and improvement of church property, and other purposes, from Sunday school, \$158; for the choir, \$28.50; Christmas and Easter decorations (Improvement Society), \$36.50; special provision for sick of parish, \$22; paid on subscriptions for church debt, \$571. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,729.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$35; Convention Fund, \$14; Christian or theological education, \$8.90; erection of churches and chapels (St. Luke's Church, Washington, D.C.), \$20; sufferers in Michigan, \$26.34; St. Mary's Orphanage, \$3; Lowell Reform Club, \$2. Total for objects without the parish, \$109.24.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$54.

Total of contributions, \$2,892.66.

REMARKS.

The loss in communicants is due mainly to removal from the parish of a number of Swedes, who have established worship in their own language; and also in part to a more careful revision of the lists.

The parish is devoutly thankful to God for great blessings. Since Easter, the extinguishment of its debt, which has been a sore burden for many years, has been provided for by the securing of pledges to the amount of nearly \$2,000, of which the sum of \$571 has already been paid in. It is felt that the ability and willingness of this people, under God's blessing, to take up this burden so cheerfully, gives reason for much hope and new life, that we may abound much more in spiritual things, and may be enabled to increase in good works for the glory of God.

HOUSE OF PRAYER, LOWELL.

[No report.]

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, LYNN.

The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, *Rector*.

W. F. JOHNSON and T. B. KNIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 27; adults, 13; total, 40. Confirmed, 35. Communicants: Admitted, 35; received, 7; total added, 42; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, about 400. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers, teachers, and scholars, 300. "Girls' Industrial School," 370.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$4,870.12. Added to "Library Endowment Fund," \$164.12; added to "Industrial School Endowment Fund," \$250; other objects, \$771.80. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,056.04.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$78.75; Convention Fund, \$22.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$101.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$103. Domestic missions: Indian missions (box), \$56.41; Sister Eliza, \$10; Mrs. Payne, \$8.50; Jews, \$8.04; total, \$82.95. Foreign missions in general, sent to Dr. Twing, \$175.35; St. John's College, China, \$39.36; Africa and Japan, \$11; total, \$225.71.

Total of contributions, \$6,568.95.

REMARKS.

We have to record this year, with its twofold impressiveness, the sudden though not unprepared-for death of the *Hon. Enoch Redington Mudge*, the princely donor of the "St. Stephen's Memorial Church." He entered into "the rest that remaineth for the people of God," Oct. 1, A.D. 1881.

We are sad as we miss his always hopeful face, his warm grasp, and the presence which was always a living and effective sermon.

We are glad as we think that so much of his time was spent among us; that his means were so largely and so nobly employed for God, in our midst, enabling him still so eloquently "to speak though being dead;" and that the memory thus bequeathed to us is of a consistent Christian life, "full of faith and good works."

He will always be remembered with profound love and gratitude by St. Stephen's Parish, Lynn.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MALDEN.

The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, *Rector*.

GEORGE CHARLES TATE, *Lay Reader*.

GEO. WILLIAM NEAL and GEO. CHARLES TATE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 25; adults, 1; total, 26. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Admitted, 39; received, 3; total added, 42; died, 5; removed, 80; total lost, 85; present number, 170. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 125. Church: Value, \$13,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$13,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$52.04. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,328.82. Sunday school, offerings for expenses, \$49.80; parish library and reading-room, \$40; special contributions for Sunday school festivals, \$92.81; for Bibles, tracts, etc., \$43.77; for the poor, \$24.21; for temperance work, \$15; by Parish Guild for various purposes, \$72. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,718.45.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$21; Convention Fund, \$18; erection of churches and chapels, \$15; interest on parish note, \$15; the Fund for Relief of Widows and Orphans (General Church), one-tenth per cent of alms, \$5.78; for other parishes and church institutions, \$15.90. Total for objects without the parish, \$90.68.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions in general, contributions and boxes to value of \$111.59; work among the Jews, \$7.60; missions in general, \$67.27. Foreign: Work in Japan, \$14.41. Total for missionary contributions, \$250.87.

Total of contributions, \$3,060.

REMARKS.

The fund for a Sunday-school building amounts to \$1,125. The decrease in the number of communicants is due in part to the setting-off of a portion of the parish as a distinct mission, but mainly to the counting this year as removed all those who have not communed during the last few years.

ST. LUKE'S MISSION, LINDEN.

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON, *Rector*.

The Rev. SAMUEL HODGKISS, *Assistant*.

GEORGE C. TATE, *Lay Reader*.

JOHN ROSSBOROUGH, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 6; present number, 10. Funerals, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Offerings at the offertory, \$86.04.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.10.

Total of contributions, \$93.14.

REMARKS.

This mission was organized, and the first service held, early in January of the present year. The only suitable place to be obtained for public worship was the Sunday-school room in the basement of the Congregational Chapel. Here afternoon services have been held with a congregation averaging about seventy. The parish in Malden have loaned a reed-organ. A hall is in process of erection, which it is expected the mission will occupy in August, and then a Sunday school can be started. The Holy Communion has been celebrated once, — necessarily at an inconvenient hour. Before the Rev. Mr. Hodgkiss took charge, the Rectors of Chelsea and Melrose kindly consented to officiate occasionally. The number of families connected with the mission is 35.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, *Rector*.

EZEKIEL RUSSELL and WILLIAM D. T. TREFRY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 99. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 99. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$1,200; sittings, 100. Parsonage: Value, \$6,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$77.25. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,351.69. Sunday school, \$70.79; increase and improvement of church property, \$522.89; local charities, \$30.33. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,052.35.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$10; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$10 16. Total for objects without the parish, \$20.16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$36.63. Domestic and foreign, \$17.68. Ladies' Parish Aid Society, for Indian missions, box valued \$19. Sunday school, "for Fanny Paddock Memorial Hospital," \$9.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$82.21.

Total of contributions, \$2,154.72.

REMARKS.

At the last Convention the sum of \$428 was kindly paid by one of the members of the parish to cancel its indebtedness to the Episcopal Fund. This was not mentioned in last year's report, nor is the amount included above.

During the year the old chapel has been enlarged and improved, at a cost of about \$1,100; a sufficient fund having been secured beforehand for the work. The new building was opened by the Bishop with appropriate services, on the Festival of the Purification, Feb. 2.

At the annual meeting of the proprietors of the parish it was decided unanimously (two-thirds of the corporation being represented) to transfer

the title to the church property to the Trustees of Donations of the Protestant Episcopal Church. It is expected that the transfer will be effected at an early day.

GRACE CHURCH, MEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, *Rector*.

FREDERICK M. TILDEN and WILLIAM J. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, about 150. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$142.40. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$469.23; subscriptions, \$1,483; investments, \$600; other sources, \$24.53; total, \$2,576.76. Sunday-school collections, \$300. Increase and improvement of church property, \$5,125. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,144.16.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$31.50. Convention Fund, \$24. Total for objects without the parish, \$55.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$53.48. Domestic missions in general, \$10; special, \$30. Foreign missions in general, 10. Total for missionary contributions, \$103.48.

Total of contributions, \$8,303.14.

REMARKS.

In addition to exterior improvements of the church and rectory, the parish has entered upon the erection of a Sunday-school building, to be built of stone, connected with the church, and to contain much-needed conveniences for parish work. The total cost is estimated as somewhat above \$6,000. This amount has all been subscribed, the Sunday school contributing above \$1,000.

CHRIST CHURCH, MEDWAY.

The Rev. SAMUEL EDWARDS, *Officiating Clergyman*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants: Present number, 9. Church: Sitzings, 120.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$4.08. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$40.35; subscriptions, \$30; total, \$70.35.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.84.

Total of contributions, \$86.27.

REMARKS.

When it is remembered that the first service held in this missionary church was on Dec. 24, the present progress cannot be regarded as in any wise discouraging.

TRINITY CHURCH, MELROSE.

The Rev. CHARLES LANCASTER SHORT, M.A., *Rector.*

WILLIAM L. WILLIAMS and ROYAL P. BARRY, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 3; total added, 8; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 112. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 45. Church: Value, \$4,500; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,092.95. Sunday school, \$12.94. Increase and improvement of church property, \$375.16. Prayer-books for church, \$10. Christmas Sunday-school festival, \$39. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,530.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21. Domestic missions: Church at Kearney, Neb., \$16.42; Dakota League, etc., \$15; Sunday school, Indian missions, \$20.31. Total for missionary contributions, \$72.73.

Total of contributions, \$1,614.78.

REMARKS.

The money included under heading of increase and improvement of church property was expended in a new church carpet, and for painting and other improvements, thus adding much to the attractiveness of the church.

Besides filling the assignment of the Dakota League, sixty-five articles of clothing were sent to the sisters at Haverhill for the children under their care. The sittings in the church are wholly free, and the services supported entirely by the offertory.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, METHUEN.

The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, *Rector.*

WILLIAM BEVINGTON and THOMAS SMYTHE, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 25; adults, 5; total, 30. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Present number, 200. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,132.81; other sources, \$308.94; total, \$1,441.75. Other parochial objects, \$331.06. Sisters' Work and Day Nursery, \$800. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,572.81.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Christian or theological education, \$12. Erection of churches and chapels, \$6. Relief for sufferers from Haverhill fire, \$34.05. Total for objects without the parish, \$52.05.

Total of contributions, \$2,624.86.

TRINITY CHURCH, MILFORD.

The Rev. SAMUEL EDWARDS, *Officiating Clergyman.*

CHARLES DOVE and GEORGE GEDNEY PARKER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Communicants: Present number, 83. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 65. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 252. Organ, \$1,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$75.74. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$145.42; pew-rents, \$497.98; total, \$643.40. Sunday school, subscriptions, \$28.60. Parish library, 358 volumes. Ladies' Society, contributed for payment of church choir and reducing debt on church tower, \$327.41. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,075.15.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$5.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.43.

Total of contributions, \$1,091.58.

REMARKS.

The report of the contributions has been necessarily made by the church-warden and treasurer of the parish, as the brief residence of the minister-in-charge could not enable him to know them for two-thirds of the Convention year.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILLVILLE.

The Rev. JESSE ELLIOT HEALD, *Rector.*

HENRY S. MANSFIELD and WILLIAM A. COLE, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 1; total, 6. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 1; total added, 7; died, 1; removed, 5; suspended, 2; total lost, 8; present number, 74. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$5,500; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), \$37.33. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$16.82; pew-rents, \$438.62; donations, \$42.25; investments, \$12.50; total, \$510.19. Sunday school, \$58.22. Increase and improvement of church property (by Sunday school, not yet expended), \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$625.74.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$12.25. Convention Fund, \$5. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$5. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$1. Total for objects without the parish, \$23.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$663.99.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NANTUCKET.**The Rev. LEVI BOYER, *Rector*.****ARTEMUS DAVIS and CHARLES H. STARBUCK, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 2; total, 4. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 30. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$1,800; sittings, 230. Parsonage: Value, \$800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$86.36. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$253; donations, \$325; other sources, \$56; total, \$634. Sunday school, \$8.93. Increase and improvement of church property, \$200. Total for objects within the parish, \$929.31.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$3.50. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$1. For other objects without the parish, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$24.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30. Total of contributions, \$983.81.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NATICK.**The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Rector*.****HOWARD NICHOLS WAKEMAN, *Lay Reader*.****FRANK E. CUMMINGS and CHARLES E. HAMILTON, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 14. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 15; total added, 23; removed, 2; present number, 58. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 66. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$416.60; Ladies' Aid Society, \$107.90; other sources, \$27; total, \$551.50. Sunday school, offertory, \$43.92. Total for objects within the parish, \$595.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$4.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Missions in general, \$3.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$13.50.

Total of contributions, \$613.42.

REMARKS.

The Rector entered upon the duties of the rectorship the fourth Sunday in Advent, Dec. 18. Renewed interest has been manifested on the part of the people, the services are well attended, the Sunday school is in a flourishing condition, and there is every encouragement to hope for increased prosperity. The Rector and parish are greatly indebted to Mr. H. N. Wakeman for kindly rendered services as lay reader.

GRACE CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. GEORGE A. STRONG, *Rector*.C. B. H. FESSENDEN and EDMUND RODMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 7; total, 20. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 13; total added, 25; died, 2; removed, 7; total lost, 9; present number, 166. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$60,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$281.05. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$642.02; collections in church, \$109.06; pew-rents, \$2,654.94; donations, \$125; investments, \$200.73; total, \$3,731.75. Sunday school, \$40. Increase and improvement of church property, \$10,794.93. For organ, \$1,455.18. Total for objects within the parish, \$16,802.91.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70. Convention Fund, \$30. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$41.49. Total for objects without the parish, \$141.49.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$86.38. Domestic missions in general, \$45.74. Ladies' society, \$117.54. Foreign missions in general, \$138.79. Total for missionary contributions, \$388.45.

Total of contributions, \$16,832.85.

REMARKS.

The new church has been finished during the year, and has been in use since last November; the Rev. Phillips Brooks preaching the opening sermon. The work is thoroughly well done, and the building, which is attractive and complete in all its arrangements, is thought to be highly creditable to the taste and judgment of the architects, Messrs. Ware and Van Brunt of Boston. Most of the pews are taken, and the attendance upon the services is large and increasing. No debt rests upon the church, and it will soon be consecrated.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES HAYDEN PROCTOR, *Rector*.ANDREW BANNISTER and GEORGE SPENCER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 3; total, 17. Confirmed, 28. Communicants: Admitted, 28; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3; present number, 119. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$36.31. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,004.74. Sunday school, including \$47.45 for parochial missions, \$94.92. Parish library, \$11. From Sunday school, for miscellaneous expenses, \$131.77. For principal of debt, \$450; interest, \$240.57; total, \$690.57. Miscellaneous expenses: Sewing school, \$39.51. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,008.92.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Donation to St. John's Chapel, Pottsville, Penn., \$5.

Total of contributions, \$2,013.92.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWBURYPORT.

The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, *Rector*.

NATHANIEL FOSTER and ALFRED W. LORD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 5; total, 19. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Died, 9; removed, 8; total lost, 17; present number, about 275. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, not elsewhere reported, \$92.06. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,706; for the poor, \$80.55; total, \$2,878.61. Sunday school, \$117.08. Parish library, \$50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$739. Gas-fixtures (by "Cheerful Workers"), \$98.79. Chancel committee, \$9. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,892.43.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$27. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$37.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions in general, \$55.45; Dakota League, including box, \$160. Foreign missions in general, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$305.45.

Total of contributions, \$4,234.88.

REMARKS.

Our venerable junior warden, Capt. David Wood, at the ripe age of eighty-nine, entered into life in September last, and was buried on the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels. He has left the memory of an unspotted life and of untiring zeal for the Church of God. Many others have died, many have removed, yet the above record has never been surpassed in any year of the parish's history.

GRACE CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, *Rector*.

EDWIN F. WATERS and GEORGE S. BULLENS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 3; total, 18. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Present number, 225. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 115. Church: Sitzings, 650. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$100,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$239. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$5,390.25. Sunday school, \$105. On principal and interest of debt, \$2,262.96. Special for the poor, \$73.33. Special for Cottage Hospital, \$500. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,570.54.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$15. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$10. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$12. Christian or theological education, \$17.25. Erection of churches and chapels, \$45.20. Total for objects without the parish, \$194.45.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$59.83; special, \$17; total, \$76.83. Domestic missions in general, \$350.46; special for colored people, \$30.97; special for Indians, \$17; total, \$398.43. Foreign missions in general, \$92.69. Total for missionary contributions, \$567.95.

Total of contributions, \$9,332.94.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WEST NEWTON AND AUBURN-DALE.

The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, *Rector*.

CHARLES EDWARD PARKER and WALTER C. WARE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 3; total, 20. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 11; total added, 14; removed, 4; present number, 61. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 41. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$730.72; subscriptions, \$25; other sources, \$7; total, \$762.72. Sunday school, \$11.76. Total for objects within the parish, \$774.48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$5. Erection of churches and chapels, \$7. Total for objects without the parish, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$13.57. Domestic: Domestic missions in general (from Sunday school), \$3.83; freed-men (box), \$15; for Nashotah (Sunday-school Easter offering), \$7.04. Total for missionary contributions, \$39.44.

Total of contributions, \$825.92.

REMARKS.

The present Rector took charge of this cure on Septuagesima Sunday, Feb. 5, 1882.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWTON (LOWER FALLS).

The Rev. HENRY MACKAY, *Rector*.

ISAAC HAGAR and RUFUS MOULTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Present number, 131. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 65. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$16.10. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory,

\$1,171.89; pew-rents, \$116; subscriptions, \$187.84; donations, \$200; other sources, \$106.53; total, \$1,782.26. Sunday school, \$46.75. Christmas-tree, etc., \$31.75. Gas, about \$13. Singing and music, \$190. Painting church, \$408.84. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,548.20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: One box clothing, \$25. Foreign missions in general, \$63. Total for missionary contributions, \$88.

Total of contributions, \$2,636.20.

REMARKS.

During the year this old church has put on a new and beautiful robe. The building was very much in need of paint. Many years had passed since the last painting, hence the walls and pews were ill-looking and unsightly. But now a new order exists. Through the generous kindness of the Hon. Judge Abbott and his family, the interior of the church presents a very handsome appearance. And much praise also is due to the ladies who had the matter of renovation and painting in hand.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH ADAMS.

The Rev. HARRY INNES BODLEY, *Rector*.

CHARLES H. READ and A. D. MINER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 130. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 120. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 350.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$308.16; pew-rents, \$1,100.37; subscriptions,¹ \$3,000; donations, \$215; other sources, \$106.47. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,730.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$18.

Total of contributions, \$4,748.

REMARKS.

The present Rector came into office on Feb. 22 (Ash-Wednesday) last. Being unfamiliar with the events of a great portion of the Conventional year, his report must be somewhat incomplete. So far as he is able to judge, there has been no material change in the number of communicants. It has been put down the same as last year. The total parish expenses is an approximation; and the financial report is from April 1, 1881, to April 1, 1882, the treasurer being accustomed to keep his annual account so. Offerings made for foreign and domestic missions since the latter date will appear in next report, also for missions to Jews. The parish has been negligent of its duty as regards the Bishop's salary, but it is hoped will fulfil that duty hereafter.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORTH ANDOVER.

The Rev. AUGUSTINE HEARD AMORY, *Rector*.

WILLIAM J. DALE and THOMAS B. CARTER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 29; adults, 2; total, 31. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 5; total added, 15; removed, 4; present num-

¹ \$2,722.96 paid from above subscription of \$3,000 for repairs of church and new furnaces.

ber, 35. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$8,125; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$15. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$872. Sunday school, \$55.11. Increase and improvement of church property, \$8,445. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,387.11.

Total of contributions, \$9,387.11.

REMARKS.

The corner-stone of our church was laid Oct. 9, 1881; and the first services were held on Easter Sunday, April 9, 1882. The people of the mission have contributed very liberally, and have been assisted somewhat by friends in Boston. The consecration of the church will take place May 17, 1882. In addition to parish duties in North Andover, I have helped Mr. Lawrence in Grace Church Parish, Lawrence, by visiting and holding occasional services.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector*.

WILLIAM C. ROBINSON and DAVID W. CRAFTS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Communicants: Present number, 100. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 80. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$47.74. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,223.36. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,271.10.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Michigan sufferers, \$20.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.

Total of contributions, \$1,308.23.

REMARKS.

The past has been a blessed year for the church in this place. With great thankfulness to God, we can report that the entire indebtedness of the church has been removed. The prosperous results of being free from bond and mortgage are already apparent.

GRACE CHURCH, NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH.

The Rev. GEORGE ENDICOTT OSGOOD, *Rector*.

OTIS STANLEY and ABEL R. BLOCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 2; total, 15. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 6; total added, 10; removed, 4; present number, 52. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$11,000; sittings, 250. Parsonage: Value, \$3,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$48.46. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$706.05; subscriptions (from "Ladies' Social"), \$250; total, \$956.05. Sunday-school collections, \$33.41. Subscription for additional heating facilities, \$170. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,207.92.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.25.

Total of contributions, \$1,225.17.

GRACE CHURCH, OXFORD.

The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Missionary*.

Communicants: Present number, 15. Funerals, 1. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 175. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$23,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$14. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$76.91; other sources, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$140.91.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6.60.

Total of contributions, \$147.51.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PEABODY.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary*.

EDGAR W. UPTON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 8; total added, 10; removed, 7; present number, 60. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$1,900; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,900.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$508.71; donations, \$100; total, \$608.71. Increase and improvement of church property (towards payment of addition built last year; and building fence and clapboarding church, and painting both), \$340. Total for objects within the parish, \$948.71.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for promotion of Christianity among Jews, \$2.18. Fund for aged and indigent clergymen, etc. (general), \$3. Total for objects without the parish, \$5.18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions in general: Sunday-school offering, \$2.01; Mrs. Paddock Memorial Hospital, \$5; Indian missions, \$4; total, \$11.01. Foreign missions: Miss Pitman's salary, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$26.01.

Total of contributions, \$979.90.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, *Rector*.

WILLIAM E. VERMILYE, M.D., and F. E. KERNOCHAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 6; total, 13. Communicants: Present number, about 180. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 85. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$130.60. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$524.09; pew-rents, \$2,732.49; subscriptions, \$150; investments, \$2,900; other sources, \$1,372.57; total, \$7,679.15. Sunday school, \$77.86. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,887.70.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$47.25. Convention Fund, \$30. Christian or theological education, \$10.40. Memorial window to Dean Stanley in Westminster Abbey, \$30. Total for objects without the parish, \$117.65.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Domestic missions: Society for the conversion of the Jews, \$10.45; two boxes to missionaries, valued at \$250. Foreign missions in general, \$118. Total for missionary contributions, \$148.45.

Total of contributions, \$8,153.80.

REMARKS.

St. Stephen's Guild for the young men of the parish, and St. Andrew's Guild for boys, have been established in the winter of 1882.

CHRIST CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

The Rev. JAMES EDWARD WILKINSON, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 6; total added, 13; removed, 3; present number, 47. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$549.03; donations, \$123.38; other sources, \$200; total, \$872.41. Sunday school, \$12.79. Total for objects within the parish, \$885.20.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — For Michigan sufferers, \$12.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12.98.

Total of contributions, \$910.68.

REMARKS.

The above report is for the past ten months. The services during that period have been well attended, and the offertory is a large increase over former years. A new furnace, costing \$152, has been put in, and paid for. The people also show a greater interest in the work of the Church.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUINCY.

The Rev. HENRY EVAN COTTON, *Rector*.

SAMUEL G. WYMAN and PETER BUTLER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 6; total, 25. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 7; total added, 19; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 196. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 160. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,472.76. Sunday school, \$18.32. By Sunday-school classes, for objects in the church, \$14.44. Increase and improvement of church property, \$91.54. Christmas expenses, \$103.48. Easter expenses, \$50. Extinction of parish debt, \$811.76. Ladies' Charitable Society, \$63. Charity within the parish, \$43.77. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,674.07.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45.50. Convention Fund, \$19.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$8.28. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$22.63. Support of weak parishes in Massachusetts, \$12.80. Jewish missions, \$10. By Sunday-school classes, \$8.05. Total for objects without the parish, \$126.76.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$8.41. Domestic missions in general, \$12.83; Indian box, \$50; in the West, \$16.32; Indian, \$9.33; mite-chests, \$27.90; colored people, \$16.26; Sunday school (Indian scholarship), \$30; total, \$171.05. Foreign missions in general, \$18.26; Mexican, \$13.06; sent by infant class to Mexican work, \$10.80; total, \$42.12. Total for missionary contributions, \$213.17.

Total of contributions, \$3,014.

REMARKS.

On Easter Sunday, April 9, 1882, this parish, by voluntary contributions, was entirely freed from its long outstanding debt.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCHDALE.

The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Rector*.

TALMON TRASK and ISAAC B. HARTWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Present number, 50. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$40. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$136.88; pew-rents, \$311.50; donations, \$66; other sources, \$503.54; total, \$1,057.92. Sunday school, \$19. Increase and improvement of church property, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,101.92.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$7.50. Erection of churches and chapels, \$10. For other objects without the parish, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$22.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.40. Foreign missions in general (contributed by the Sunday school), \$16.29. Total for missionary contributions, \$29.69.

Total of contributions, \$1,154.11.

GRACE CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN SHREVE and DANIEL B. HAGAR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; died, 4; present number, 136. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$318.18. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,915.29; other sources (pledges), \$987; total, \$3,902.29. Sunday school, \$43. Parish sale, \$877.55. Christmas festival, \$94.10. Easter offering for chapel fund and missionary objects, \$256. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,991.07.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$27. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5. Salem Relief Committee, \$35. Salem colored church, \$10. Almshouse organ, \$5. Rev. Dr. Crummell, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$144.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$66.02. Domestic missions in general, \$60; Woman's Auxiliary, \$20. Foreign missions in general, \$35. Total for missionary contributions, \$181.02.

Total of contributions, \$5,316.59.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., *Rector*.

CHARLES H. BATES and CHARLES F. CURWEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 4; total, 23. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 4; total added, 10; died, 2; present number, about 300. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 9. Church: Value estimated, \$40,000; sittings, 600. Chapel: Value at cost, \$9,000; sittings, 175. Parsonage: Value at cost \$6,500. Total valuation, \$55,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, and for parish poor, \$376.15. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pews-rents, \$3,685.14; subscriptions, \$612; total, \$4,297.14. Sunday school, \$89.23; new chapel-organ fund, \$115.30. Rectory fund, \$128.77. Sunday school Christmas festival, \$84.35. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,000.94.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$20.33. Clergy relief fund, \$20. Relief of city poor, \$77. Total for objects without the parish, \$117.33.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$84; Eastern Convocation, \$28; by the Sunday school to library of a mission, \$20; total, \$136. Domestic: By the Sunday school, viz.: Nashotah, \$20; St.

Mark's School, Utah, \$40. Domestic missions in general, \$108.12; missions in Nebraska, \$63.50; Divinity School, Faribault, \$63.50; missions among the Jews, \$20; freedmen, \$24.50; mission at Lewiston, Me., \$20; Michigan sufferers, \$27; Indian missions, \$37.50; Sister Eliza, \$20; box for New Mexico, \$30.40; box for Indians, \$93.60; box for a domestic missionary, \$314.80; total, \$882.92. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$12; lady missionary in Japan, \$27; total, \$39. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,057.92.

Total of contributions, \$6,266.19.

REMARKS.

A branch of the Girls' Friendly Society has been organized.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD.

The Rev. FRANCIS W. BARNETT, *Minister in charge.*

GEORGE H. LEMIST, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants: about 30; average present, about 10. Marriages, 3. Sunday school: Teachers, 4; scholars, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, about \$12. Contributions and subscriptions, about \$300.

REMARKS.

Having but recently taken charge of the parish, I give the number of communicants the same as reported last year; but the actual number is probably less.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, *Rector.*

REUBEN P. BENTON and SAMUEL REYNOLDS, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 9; total added, 14; removed, 18; present number, 92. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$215.74; donations, \$884.15; other sources, \$492.35; total, \$1,592.24. Sunday school, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,617.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$1,647.24.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, EAST SOMERVILLE.**The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, *Rector*.****DOUGLAS FRAZAR and EDWARD S. BAILEY, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 24; adults, 1; total, 25. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 5; total added, 15; died, 7; removed, 6; total lost, 13; present number, 187. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 31. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 186.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$750; other sources, \$617; total, \$1,367. Increase and improvement of church property, \$35. Other parochial objects, \$68. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,470.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$9; for other objects without the parish, \$30. Total for objects without the parish, \$39.

Total of contributions, \$1,509.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTHBOROUGH.**The Rev. J. L. T. COOLIDGE, D.D., *Rector*.****JOSEPH BURNETT and L. W. NEWTON, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; removed, 4; present number, 43. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$16,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,100. Sunday school, \$26. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,126.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$33.91. Domestic missions in general, \$36. Total for missionary contributions, \$69.91.

Total of contributions, \$1,210.91.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, SOUTH GROVELAND.**The Rev. ALBERT EUGENE GEORGE, *Rector*.****CHARLES A. SHAW and WILLIAM H. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 8; total, 20. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 2; total added, 16; died, 2; removed, 3; total lost, 5; present number, 64. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 72. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$2,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$32.87. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church,

\$13.93; pew-rents, \$287.55; subscriptions, \$953.25; total, \$1,254.73. Sunday school, \$30; increase and improvement of church property, \$435; for sundry objects to Sunday school, \$6.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,759.10.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12. For infirm clergy, \$1.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$13.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Foreign missions in general, \$2.77.

Total of contributions, \$1,775.12.

REMARKS.

This parish is greatly indebted to the liberality of the late E. J. M. Hale, who gave the church building, and the rectory, as well as left in his will a fund which will pay the annual stipend of the rector. After the affairs of his estate are settled, the parish receives ten thousand dollars additional.

The rector owes much to the untiring zeal and interest of the ladies in the parish, who have kindly assisted him in many ways. They have sent a box containing clothing, fruit, and money, valued at fifty dollars, to St. Luke's Home, Haverhill, Mass.; another containing clothing, books, papers, etc., valued at twenty-five dollars, to the Indians. The church building in the interior as well as exterior has been beautifully painted.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, SOUTH LINCOLN.

The Rev. P. H. STEENSTRA, *Minister in charge.*

NAHUM SMITH and GEORGE G. CHENEY, *Church-Wardens.*

Communicants: Received, 5; removed, 2; present number, 40. Marriages, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$217.66; subscriptions, \$57.25; donations, \$110; other sources, \$1.60; total, \$386.51. Sunday school, \$30; other parochial objects, \$35. Total for objects within the parish, \$451.51.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, *Rector.*

JOHN B. STEBBINS and JAMES D. BREWER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 39; adults, 4; total, 43. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Present number, 540. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 24. Sunday schools, 2; officers and teachers, 35; scholars, 200. Sewing school: Teachers, 10; scholars, 50. Church (old and new): Value, \$85,000; sittings, 900. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$89,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$465.08. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,496.83; pew-rents, \$4,247.39; subscriptions, \$183; total, \$5,927.22. Sunday school, \$161.53; sewing society and sewing school, \$71.50; kitchen-garden, \$25; Easter flowers, \$62.75; church sociables, \$39.10; Christmas tree, \$36.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,788.68.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$105; Convention Fund, \$30; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, \$5; Christian or Theological Education, \$10; Springfield Home for Friendless Women, \$193.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$343.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$51.68. Domestic missions in general, \$32.25; missionary box for Hayti, \$22; missionary box for Indians, \$25; total, \$79.25. Foreign: Sunday school scholarship in China, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$170.93.

Total of contributions, \$7,303.36.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STOCKBRIDGE.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Rector*.

DANIEL B. FENN, Jr., and W. PITT PALMER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 3; total added, 8; died, 2; present number, 153. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 105. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 240. School building: Value, \$1,200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion (deducting \$245.54 elsewhere reported), \$160.72. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$494.95; pew-rents, \$1,322.38; subscriptions, \$84; donations, \$454; other sources, \$5; total, \$2,360.33. Sunday school, \$55. Parochial missions, \$200. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,200. Christmas tree, \$156. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,332.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$24.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$39.89. Christian or theological education, Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$30.06. For other objects without the parish: Sundries, \$75; collection toward paying for Bishop's Fund, \$63.34; Poor Children's Excursion Fund, \$56.62; sufferers by Michigan fires, \$159.35; Soldiers' Home bazaar, \$100. Total for objects without the parish, \$571.26.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$46.83. Domestic missions in general, \$314.63; Dakota League, \$105.68. Missions in general, \$98.72. Total for missionary contributions, \$565.86.

Total of contributions, \$5,469.17.

REMARKS.

The Rev. S. H. Hilliard, from the Diocese of Pittsburgh, has succeeded the Rev. Dr. Parker in partial charge of the work at South Lee. Three valuable missionary boxes have been sent out during the past year.

A new building, costing \$1,200, close to the church, has become the property of the parish.

CHRIST CHURCH, SWANSEA.

The Rev. OTIS OLNEY WRIGHT, *Minister*.

WILLIAM H. PEARSE and HENRY O. WOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Adults, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; present number, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 26.

Church, land, organ, etc.: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 200. Investments, \$1,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$3.31. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$10.78; subscriptions, \$365; donation (to minister, salary), \$100; from investments, \$70; other sources, \$10; total, \$555.78. Sunday-school collections, \$10.27; Sunday-school library, proceeds of a lecture course, \$45; organ repairs, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$714.36.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Christian or theological education, Increase of the Ministry, \$3.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, two collections, \$22; Jewish missions, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$25.

Total of contributions, \$742.36.

REMARKS.

Mr. Wright came to the parish the first Sunday in July, 1881, and the subscriptions were made for one year from that date.

The number of subscribers is small, and very few of the people are able to give much. One generous man of wealth usually pays about half of all expenses.

The population of the parish is only about 200, nearly one-fourth of whom are connected with other Christian bodies, though most of them take more or less interest in our services.

As in all agricultural towns, many of the young people leave the parish for various vocations in other places, where they often become active and influential churchmen; so that, though permanent growth may be slow and uncertain, the work of the parish is vitally important to the church at large. The loss of supporters by death, in the past, has been considerable; and it is hoped that future changes in the neighborhood may tend to an increase of churchmanly inhabitants.

Prejudices against the church, probably, were never less than now, and there is manifestly a general interest to help to sustain religious services in the place. (Compare this report with reports of other years.)

The average attendance (one service) during the ten months has been between forty and fifty.

It is significant that the church has steadily and quietly done its work for thirty-six years; while the "Union Meeting," so called, which occupied the field before it, has long since ceased, and its place of worship fallen into decay.

Legacies to the amount of \$1,500 have been left to the church, the income of which is to help to support a "resident minister," and it is known to some that provisions have been made by other devoted friends of the parish: so that at no distant day, probably, the church will be placed in favorable circumstances for self-support.

We feel that the work here should be fully sustained, at all events; *for it is a necessity.* The nearest Episcopal church is at Fall River, four miles distant; and there is no other place of worship in the community which naturally centres in Swansea village.

The people are convinced by experience that they cannot prosper without a resident pastor; and to insure the services of a desirable minister the parish will need help, for the time being, to the amount of \$300 per annum at least.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.**The Rev. FRANCIS MANSFIELD, *Rector*.****HENRY NICKOLDS and JASON HERVEY HAYWARD, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 1; adults, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 4; total added, 13; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3; present number, 87. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 105. Church: Sitzings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$110.87. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$110.87; pew-rents, \$927.06; subscriptions, \$293; other sources, fair, \$180; total, \$1,510.93. Sunday school, \$81. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,702.80.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$10.
Total of contributions, \$1,712.80.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.**The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROYD, *Rector*.****WILLIAM C. LOVEBING and WILLIAM H. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 1; total, 13. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 21; received, 6; total added, 27; died, 7; removed, 10; total lost, 17; present number, 320. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 29; scholars, 245.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$881.56. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$4,247.97. Sunday school, \$23.42; increase and improvement of church property, \$3,258; by Sunday school, \$70. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,980.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$56; Convention Fund, \$37.50; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$43; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$28.36; aid to other parishes, \$339.65; by Sunday school for various objects, \$145; aid to missionaries, \$297.98. Total for objects without the parish, \$947.49.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$200. Domestic missions in general, \$196.62; foreign missions in general, \$102.13. Total for missionary contributions, \$498.73.

Total of contributions, \$9,427.17.

VAN DEUSENVILLE.

[No report.]

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WAKEFIELD.**The Rev. SAMUEL HODGKISS, *Missionary*.****ADAM AUGUSTUS HAWKES, *Church-Warden*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 3; total, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 9; total added, 20; removed, 2; present number, 62. Mar-

riages, 2. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 65. Chapel: Value, \$5,500; sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$3.35. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$997.89. Increase and improvement of church property, \$3,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,701.24.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions: one box for Dakota League, value \$15. To the Rev. Mr. Green, Kearney, Neb., for the erection of a chapel, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$30.

Total of contributions, \$3,731.24.

REMARKS.

It is with a deep sense of gratitude to Almighty God that the present missionary makes his report for the past year. The annual report for 1880 was dubious indeed. We were then worshipping in a storeroom, with but a handful of the faithful; and our whole property did not count over two hundred dollars in value, with little hope of doing any better in the immediate future. But matters have taken an unexpected turn; and the report of 1882 gives, as the result of hard work and the blessing of God, a neat chapel built, paid for, and consecrated, and valued at \$5,500. The zeal of all who have helped in this undertaking is highly commendable; and we are now reasonably sure that this mission is destined to grow with the town, and to become an important factor in the religious community. The story of the work has been given at length in "The Diocese," and cannot be repeated here. The spiritual prosperity of the mission is very encouraging. The Ladies' Guild is doing a good and faithful work for benevolent and parish objects. A branch of the Girls' Friendly Society has just been organized, and we expect great good to be accomplished by its agency. The Sunday school is doing well, and we are adding to our numbers almost every week, and we expect great things from this source by and by. Our latest work is the improvement and beautifying of the church grounds by grading, planting of shrubs and trees, and the laying of concrete walks. We recognize the fact that in the Lord's vineyard "we are laborers together with God;" so that "neither he that planteth is any thing, neither he that watereth, but God that giveth the increase."

CHRIST CHURCH, WALTHAM.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector*.

The Rev. HENRY S. NASH, *Assistant*.

MOSES E. OSGOOD and OTIS E. HUNT, M.D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 20; adults, 4; total, 24. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 11; total added, 17; died, 6; removed, 4; total lost, 10; present number, 202. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 24. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 160; Bible class, 28. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$174.08. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,944.83: Easter offering,

\$277.85. Sunday school, \$711. Increase and improvement of church property, \$512. Other parochial objects, \$301. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,920.26.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45. Convention Fund, \$19.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$13. Total for objects without the parish, \$77.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions in general, \$51.67; Jews, \$16; total, \$67.67. Foreign missions in general, \$66. Total for missionary contributions, \$183.67.

Total of contributions, \$5,193.43.

REMARKS.

The usual parochial activities have been sustained. In our last report we mentioned that efforts were in progress for the erection of a chapel or church in a distinct portion of our town, which, from its vicinity to the works of the American Watch Company, has greatly increased in population and importance. By the blessing of God, and through the liberality of friends, these efforts have been crowned with such success that a tasteful and commodious church, in a very eligible location, is rapidly approaching completion, and will, we trust, be consecrated early next month. Under the earnest labors of our zealous assistant the services hitherto held in the only hall which we could obtain have been well attended, and there is good reason to expect that the congregations in our new church will be decidedly increased. From these and all our efforts we trust that increasing fruits will appear to the glory of God.

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, WEBSTER.

The Rev. LANGDON CHEVES STEWARDSON, *Rector*.

JAMES H. HOWE and JAMES FRANCIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 2; total, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 13; total added, 21; removed, 7; present number, 106. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$120.69. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,277.56. Sunday-school contributions, \$92.36. Sunday-school library, \$100. Sewing school, \$35. Ladies' Aid Society, \$125. Christmas tree, \$108.50. Young men's reading-room, \$193.34. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,032.45.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund (interest on assessment), \$32.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Michigan sufferers, \$86.45. Total for objects without the parish, \$161.45.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$177.38. Domestic missions: Dakota League, \$35.58. Foreign missions in general, \$13.35. Total for missionary contributions, \$226.31.

Total of contributions, \$3,440.21.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, WESTFIELD.

The Rev. HENRY J. SHERIDAN, *Rector*.

MADISON J. GILLETTE and GEORGE H. PRESCOTT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 4; total, 8. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 15; total added, 18; removed, 5; present number, 58. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 49. Church: Value, \$6,235.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$204.66; donations, \$50; other sources: Parish Aid Society, \$137.45; total, \$392.11. Increase and improvement of church property (for new church), \$3,402.65. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,794.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — St. Mary's Orphanage, East Providence, R.I., \$2.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.25.

Total of contributions, \$3,807.76.

TRINITY CHURCH, WEYMOUTH.

The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, *Rector*.

EDWARD AVERY and WILLIAM S. WALLACE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 2; total, 5. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 5; total added, 12; died, 2; removed, 4; total lost, 6; present number, 55. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 49. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$120.69; subscriptions, \$481.60; donations, \$128.11; other sources, \$37.50; total, \$767.90. Sunday school (from the school, \$11.40), \$43.87. Parochial missions (from one person, \$9.70), \$18.60. Sick, \$5.71. Tracts, \$6. Gratuitous distribution of "Parish Visitor," \$4.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$846.53.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$2.25. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$7.50. Michigan sufferers, \$10.70. Total for objects without the parish, \$20.45.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$4. Domestic missions in general, \$5; Mrs. Buford's work in Virginia (from Sunday school), \$13.25; total, \$18.25. Foreign missions in general, \$4.50; Mexico (from Sunday school), \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$31.75.

Total of contributions, \$898.78.

REMARKS.

Of the one hundred and fifty-eight services of the year, forty-nine were held at East Braintree. From this part of the parish came six of the candidates for confirmation. Our Sunday school is in a much better condition than for several years past.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILKINSONVILLE.**The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, *Rector*.****HARVEY DODGE and DANIEL M. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Adults, 4. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 1; total added, 8; died, 1; present number, 62. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 58.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$69.71. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew-rents, \$350; donations, \$25; other sources, \$50; total, \$425. Sunday school, \$19.88. Clerical vestments, \$28.50. Assistance to sick and needy persons, \$5.60. Total for objects within the parish, \$548.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$6. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$1. American Church-Building Fund Commission, \$4.24. Total for objects without the parish, \$11.24.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$23. Domestic missions in general, \$6. Foreign missions in general, \$3; church in Mexico, \$2.25; total, \$5.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$34.25.

Total of contributions, \$593.68.

ST. JOHN'S CHAPEL, WILLIAMSTOWN.**The Rev. ROBERT ELLIS JONES, *Missionary*.**

Communicants: Present number, 35. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 15. Chapel: Sitzings, 200.

(No record kept of receipts or expenditures during vacancy of a year.)

REMARKS.

During the last year there has been no clergyman at this station; services have been chiefly lay services, with occasional clerical services and Communion. After a month's work I find the field a very encouraging one. We have about twenty-five families that should make use of church privileges, and I hope to bring them to a sense of their duty. I find about fifty Welsh people in a neighboring manufacturing village, whom, being myself able to speak their language, I hope to identify with our chapel. The prospects are very good, but imply an immense amount of labor for their realization.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOBURN.**The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, *Rector*.****JAMES FOLSOM and JAMES LOVE, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 4; total, 23. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 18; total added, 25; died, 1; removed, 8; total lost, 9; present number, 85. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 29. Church: Value (assessed), \$5,700; sittings, 200. Library, furniture, etc., \$100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$143.95; subscriptions, \$192.10; donations, \$308.70; other sources, \$150; total, \$794.75.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21. Convention Fund, \$7. Total for objects without the parish, \$28.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.

Total of contributions, \$819.75.

REMARKS.

The Rector recognizes, with deep gratitude to an all-wise God, the hand of a merciful Providence in the improved condition and growing interest of his charge.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WOOD'S HOLL.

The Rev. CHARLES McILVAINE NICHOLSON, *Rector*.

HENRY H. FAY and ALMON P. STURGIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Removed, 2; present number, 35. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 21. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$63.54. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$563.73; subscriptions, \$1,000; donations, \$550; total, \$2,113.73. Sunday school, \$40. Parochial school, \$600. The building of Sunday-school room in the basement of the church (gift of J. S. Fay), \$702.81. Life membership in the General Theological Library, \$100; Christmas gift to the Rector, \$31.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,651.58.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$6.81. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$50. Total for objects without the parish, \$56.81.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions: Bishop Elliot, West Texas, \$100. Total for missionary contributions, \$200.

Total of contributions, \$3,908.39.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON, D.D., *Rector*.

SUMNER PRATT and EDWARD LIVINGSTON DAVIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 33; adults, 6; total, 39. Confirmed, 28. Communicants: Total added, 30; died, 2; present number, 425. Marriages, 28. Funerals, 25. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 40; scholars, 470.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$406.29. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$8,853.92. Sunday school, \$95.22. Parish library, \$35.76. Rector's assistant, \$337. Women's Mis-

sionary Society, \$105. Christmas festival, \$111.41. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,944.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$140. Convention Fund, \$60. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$23.86. Home for Orphan Children, Worcester, \$118. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$30.27. Christian or theological education, \$46.22. American Church-Building Fund, \$79.54. Church Temperance Society, \$48.90. Total for objects without the parish, \$546.79.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$70.40. Domestic missions in general, \$177.72; Indian missions, \$121.92; missions to the Jews, \$20. Foreign missions in general, \$106.64. Total for missionary contributions, \$496.68.

Total of contributions, \$10,988.07.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WORCESTER.

[No report.]

TRINITY CHURCH, WRENTHAM.

The Rev. GEORGE W. PORTER, S.T.D., *Rector*.

JAMES E. POLLARD and EDMUND J. FELT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 4; total added, 6; present number, about 40. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 12. Church: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$34.72. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$102.02; pew-rents, \$297.28; other sources, \$168.94; total, \$568.24. Sunday school, \$5.49. Increase and improvement of church property, \$60. Christmas festival, \$4.62. Total for objects within the parish, \$673.07.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$20. Garfield Memorial, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14.64.

Total of contributions, \$712.71.

II.

PERSONAL REPORTS.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the past year, in addition to my usual work in the Episcopal Theological School, I have officiated on Sundays and other occasions, as opportunity has been given me.

ALEXANDER V. G. ALLEN.

CAMBRIDGE, May 9, 1882.

REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN OF ST. LUKE'S HOME, ROXBURY.

The undersigned begs leave to report that since July 1, 1881, he has discharged the duties of St. Luke's Home. Services have been held on Thursday mornings and Sunday afternoons. On the first Thursday of each month there is a celebration of the Holy Communion. Three persons have been confirmed, and one baptized. The thanks of the chaplain are due to the Rev. Percy C. Webber and the Rev. D. C. Garrett for valuable assistance.

HENRY F. ALLEN.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

In accordance with the requirements of the Canon, I report that during the past Conventional year I have officiated at three funerals, solemnized one marriage, baptized one child, preached and administered the Holy Communion several times.

W. R. BABCOCK.

NABBAGANSETT PIER, R.I., May 9, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. Bishop Paddock, D.D. :

Reverend and Dear Sir, — I have performed no official service during the past year; holding myself in readiness, however, for any service which God and the Church may see fit to lay upon me.

I am very respectfully and truly your son and servant in the gospel,

S. R. BAILEY.

EAST LIVERMORE, ME., April 27, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the last Conventional year I have been able to do scarcely any thing in clerical work. I have, however, assisted on two occasions in Divine

service, and baptized privately five infants. These baptisms have been returned to the Rectors of the parishes in which the rite was performed.

I have, besides, officiated at one funeral.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM S. BARTLET.

CHELSEA, May 10, A.D. 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Having accepted my election as General Missionary of the Diocesan Board of Missions, I returned to this Diocese in September last, and entered upon the work. Details have been given in my reports to the Board. The work has consisted largely of seeking out and visiting scattered members of the Church. I have visited and explored about forty towns and villages, and have gained by careful inquiry knowledge concerning some twenty more, and have visited or met about three hundred and fifty families or parts of families.

One hundred and seventy-five actual communicants should be reported, exclusive of those whom by my request neighboring clergymen have definitely agreed to take under their pastoral care.

I have baptized thirty-one infants in the mission field.

I have held three services in Spencer, five in Marlborough, three in Westborough, two in Athol, four in Medway, four in Concord, one in West Concord, five in Shelburne Falls, one in Franklin, one in Maynard, one in Merrimac, one in Rockbottom, three in Natick (during the vacancy, or when the Rector was in his other parish), one in Milford (during the vacancy); and have preached, or assisted in the service, at St. John's, Boston Highlands, St. Mary's for Sailors, St. Stephen's House, Clinton, Andover, St. Thomas's, East Somerville, Linden Mission, Wakefield, Lowell (St. Anne's), and Natick. Also preached once, by invitation, in Concord State Prison.

I have administered the Holy Communion in public five times and in private once, and have assisted in the celebration five times.

In accordance with invitations sent me I have attended meetings of the Southern, Central, and Eastern Convocations and the recent semi-annual Missionary Meeting at Fall River, and made missionary addresses.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN S. BEERS.

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, Bishop of Massachusetts :

Dear Sir, — I have to report to you for the Convention — sending now lest a later mail may be too late — that Sept. 1, 1881, I resigned St. Paul's, Natick, in consequence of lung-trouble which compelled me to abandon preaching for the present. From October to February I lived at Mount Kineo, Moosehead Lake, Me., recovering my general health and healing the lung thoroughly. Now I am on my way to Cordoba, Argentine Republic, where I intend to resume labor in the National Observatory, being attracted thither by the beautiful climate. Cordoba has a population of 35,000, wholly Roman Catholic save the few English, Americans, and Germans recently come. It may be prudent and possible to establish a Protestant mission among these latter, and if so I shall consider it my work in the Lord's vineyard. If any thing transpires of interest I shall gladly inform you: otherwise there will be no occasion to report again till I return to the United States, where I hope to continue my duties in the Church.

Very sincerely,

FRANK H. BIGELOW.

AT SEA, March 22, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Since the last Annual Convention I have presented the cause of the Mexican branch of the Church thirty-five times, have besides preached five sermons, made two addresses, baptized three infants, officiated at one burial, and taken part in or conducted thirty-three services. I have in addition attended to the other duties of the office of General Secretary of the Mexican League, including editing and publishing.

ABBOTT BROWN.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Since my ordination on the 1st of June last, and closing with my resignation at Easter for travel and further study abroad, I have held the position of Assistant Minister in the Church of the Holy Trinity in this place, and discharged the regular duties of the same.

Respectfully,

F. G. BURGESS.

MIDDLETOWN, CONN., 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I respectfully report my official ministrations for the past year as follows: Baptisms, two; marriages, five; burials, one. I have made some fifty or sixty calls on the sick and others who have desired to see me; I have also occasionally assisted in the public services of the Church.

J. T. BURRILL.

CHELSEA, May 9, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I would very respectfully report that after having resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Boston, I sailed for England on the 16th of July, 1881, in the steamship "Marathon," and that on the passage I read the service and preached to the passengers and crew. I have also assisted in the services and preached in All Saints' Chapel, Bath, England. At Pau, in France, I preached three times, and assisted in the service six times in Trinity Church, and read prayers twice and preached twice in St. Andrew's Church.

I have also preached and taken part in the services in St. Paul's Church, Rome, and the American Episcopal Church in Florence, Italy.

HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.

VENICE, May 4, 1882.

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

My Dear Bishop, — During the last year I have officiated and preached twelve times in Massachusetts, four times in the Diocese of Albany, and ten times in Vermont. I have also officiated at nine funerals and three marriages.

Faithfully yours, etc.,

E. H. CANFIELD.

ARLINGTON, VT., May 8, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I closed my Rectorship of the Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl, Oct. 1, 1881. After becoming established at our home at East Sandwich I have held regular Sunday services at our house, all persons attending who wish. Have, on invitation, held regular Episcopal services at the place of worship at West Barnstable two Sunday evenings.

Communion offerings at the Church of the Messiah, \$68.17.

HIRAM CARLETON.

EAST SANDWICH, May 8, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

I beg leave to report, according to the Canon, that during the past Convention year, with two exceptions, I have officiated every Sunday in the parishes, and also at other times as opportunity was afforded me.

NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN.

CAMBRIDGE, May 10, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin Henry Paddock, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

I beg leave to present the following report:—

Was canonically transferred to your jurisdiction from the Diocese of Indiana, Dec. 20, 1881. Have officiated in this diocese as follows: Aug. 28, 1881, Framingham; Sept. 4, Newton; Sept. 11, 18, 25, Framingham; Oct. 2, Auburndale; Oct. 9, Lynn; Oct. 16, Marblehead; Oct. 23, assisted at St. Stephen's, Lynn; Oct. 30, Christ Church, Boston; Nov. 6, St. John's, Taunton; Nov. 13, assisted at St. Stephen's, Lynn; Nov. 20, St. John's, Taunton; Nov. 24 (Thanksgiving Day), preached at St. Stephen's, Lynn; Nov. 27, assisted at St. Stephen's, Lynn; Dec. 4, St. John's, Taunton; Dec. 18, assisted at St. Stephen's, Lynn; Dec. 25, St. John's, Taunton; Jan. 1 and 8, 1882, Chapel of the Evangelist, Boston; Feb. 5, Church of Our Saviour, Providence; March 26, Fitchburg; April 26, Keene, N.H. Was present at the funeral services of Hon. E. R. Mudge, and at the consecration services of St. Stephen's Memorial Church, and have assisted the Rector of St. Stephen's when not otherwise occupied on Sundays; during the week have been engaged in educational work.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. CLARKE.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

For another year I have been mercifully permitted to discharge the duties of my office as Chaplain to the City Institutions at South Boston.

The following clerical acts, which have been recorded in the register of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston, have been performed since the last Convention: I have solemnized three marriages, have attended five funerals, and have assisted at two others.

Faithfully yours,

JOSEPH H. CLINCH.

HOUSE OF PRAYER, LOWELL.¹

The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, *Rector.*

JAMES EMMOTT, Sen., and JAMES DRIVER, Jr., *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 9; total added, 18; removed, 8; present number, 45. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 20. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 160.

¹ Received too late to appear in its proper place.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$687.66; other sources, \$72.06; total, \$759.72. Total for objects within the parish, \$759.72.

REMARKS.

The parish suffers much from removals: we have lost a number this year. We feel the loss of even one. We are trying to beautify the grounds; efforts are being made for a lawn. The city is rapidly building up in this part. We are hoping in the end to be benefited thereby. The work is slow; but, if it can only be sure, we are getting on.

To the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese:

I have had no parochial charge since the last Annual Convention. But I have officiated, as my services were solicited, in several churches, both in Essex County and also in New Hampshire; viz., preached ten times, assisted in divine service on nineteen occasions, assisted at four funerals, married one couple, administered the Holy Communion on several occasions.

SAMUEL M. EMERY.

The Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D.:

My Dear Bishop, — Since my resignation of Ascension Church, Fall River, I have been occupied every Sunday: for two months at St. George's, Brooklyn; two months at Cathedral Chapel, Garden City, L.I.; three months at Grace Church, Jamaica, L.I.; and the rest of the year at various churches in Brooklyn, New York, and Jersey City. I am now at Grace Church, Jamaica, L. I.

Respectfully yours,

WM. T. FITCH.

186 ADELPHI ST., BROOKLYN, N.Y.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have continued to discharge the duties of my ministry as they have been needed, but have been without special engagement. Have celebrated the Holy Communion seven times, and assisted in its administration on several occasions. I have administered the sacrament of baptism to one infant, and officiated at one funeral.

Very respectfully,

F. A. FOXCROFT.

CAMBRIDGE, May 8, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

Since the last Convention I have supplied Grace Church, New Bedford, one Sunday; preached two Sundays in Vineyard Haven, and officiated at two funerals in the same place; held a service and preached in Middleborough; and occasionally assisted in the services and preached in the Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl. In the autumn I had a severe illness, which disabled me from duty for several weeks. We are expecting to spend the summer in England, and to return to America in October.

Very faithfully yours,

B. R. GIFFORD.

WOOD'S HOLL, May.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned respectfully begs leave to say that a second winter in Southern France has largely restored his health, giving him hopes of doing some light duty the coming year; but that in the year past his official duties have been limited to assistance at a half-dozen services in English chaplaincies in Switzerland last summer, and to the performance of a single Sunday's entire duty for the British chaplain in this city.

EDWIN WALTER GOULD.

LEGHORN, ITALY, April 27, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

My Dear Bishop,—I would hereby make report of my work during the past year.

I have continued to exercise my duties as Dean and Professor in the Episcopal Theological School. In the former capacity I have ministered in St. John's Memorial Chapel, the statistics regarding which work I enclose herewith. They will show that, although the attendants upon the services are not organized, this chapel continues to form an important factor in the church life in Cambridge, drawing to our church not a few who have not been of our communion, and also being the place of worship of an increasing number of members of the university, for whom the edifice was especially built.

As to the Theological School proper, the work therein has been greater than in any past year, as the number of students has been larger. There are thirty men on the roll, of whom seventeen belong to this diocese, the others being connected with eleven other dioceses. I am happy to testify to the general fidelity and promise of those under your jurisdiction.

The year has been marked by no new feature except the increased life and activity which have come with increased numbers. We have every reason to be grateful for the favors vouchsafed the school in the past, and the success which has exceeded the expectations of the founders of the institution in all respects; and we are encouraged in hoping for a future of usefulness in that work which such an institution may achieve in an educational centre like Cambridge.

With thanks for your personal and official kindnesses,

Yours faithfully and respectfully,

GEO. Z. GRAY.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

In my report of last year, which, I regret to say, through my own fault failed of presentation, I stated that in May, 1880, I had terminated my connection with St. John's Church, Arlington, which I had started in 1875. I had several months before placed my resignation in the hands of the vestry, but by their request had consented to continue my services till some one could be found to take my place. My reasons for resigning were, first, that I had lost the hope, with which I began the enterprise, of being instrumental in establishing a diocesan school for girls in connection with the parish. This was not a newly formed idea with me. The importance of such an institution had grown in my mind during fifteen years of practical experience as a teacher. I had some years before brought it to the attention of the Eastern District Missionary Association in a paper which, by their request, was printed in pamphlet, under the title of "The Religious Education of Children in New England;" and, by the instrumentality of the Association, the Convention of the diocese had appointed a commission to consider and report upon the establishment of a church school for girls. Of this commission I was the chairman at the time of my leaving the coun-

try to travel in Europe, in 1873-4. While abroad I had made a study of the educational institutions of England and the Continent, and on my return I had given the results of my observations in a second pamphlet, entitled "The Requisites for a Church School." As yet the commission had taken no definite action, but stood ready to favor any plan that held out a reasonable prospect of success. It was, then, with the hope of ultimately carrying out a long-cherished object that I entered upon the missionary work at Arlington. But though I obtained the offer of a large and valuable tract of land for the institution, and was encouraged to expect a large endowment for it from a wealthy layman of Boston, the monetary crisis which occurred soon after, prostrating all the business interests of the country, made it useless to attempt to carry out my school plans then or at any time in the near future.

Another reason for my resignation was,—the church having been built and substantially paid for,—that the needs of the parish, which covers a wide territory, required the services of a rector who could reside nearer to the church. My home was in Cambridge, three and a half miles distant, and it was impossible for me to transfer my residence to Arlington, except at great pecuniary sacrifice. Laboring under these disadvantages, I was so fortunate as to secure the interest of the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, Rector of the neighboring parish of Grace Church, Medford, of which, by a happy coincidence, I had been the first Rector, having started it in 1847. Mr. Hutchins felt able, with the help of an assistant, the vestry assenting, to assume charge of the Arlington church in addition to his duties at Medford. This was accordingly arranged, and my resignation took effect. The result has been in every respect satisfactory. Though, on account of an unexpected delay in the new Rector's entrance upon his duties, there was at first a falling-off in the number of regular worshippers, the condition of the parish has steadily improved; the property of the church has been freed from its small remaining indebtedness, and now stands in the hands of trustees, secure to the uses of our worship forever.

During the past year I have preached on twenty-four occasions; have administered the Lord's Supper eight times, and assisted in its administration three times; I have solemnized two weddings, baptized two infants, and read the Burial Service twice. On one of the occasions of preaching referred to, I repeated, by request, at Grace Church, Medford, the sermon I had delivered when Rector of that parish thirty-three years before, on the occurrence of the first anniversary of its establishment.

DAVID GREENE HASKINS.

CAMBRIDGE, May 1, 1882.

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have the honor to report that since the date of the last Convention, in the discharge of my duties at this post I have baptized seven (7) persons; presented seven (7) for confirmation, married one (1) couple, and officiated at nine (9) funerals.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

OSGOOD E. HERRICK,

Post Chaplain, U. S. Army.

FORTRESS MONROE, VA., May 8, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have to report that since my return from Bermuda, in June last, I have in the exercise of my ministry frequently assisted my brethren of the clergy in New York and its vicinity in the services of the Lord's Day. I have

also served vacant parishes as opportunity offered. The baptisms, marriages, and funerals at which I have officiated are all recorded in the appropriate parish registers.

Very respectfully,

SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH.

NEW YORK, May 5, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin Henry Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have little of importance to report, except that memoranda of the few private ministrations (two baptisms, three marriages, five burials) which I have performed during the Conventional year ending with this date have been sent to the Rectors of the parishes to which they belong, and are doubtless included in their returns. I have also publicly celebrated the Holy Eucharist between thirty and forty times, besides private celebrations.

NICHOLAS HOPPIN, S.T.D.

CAMBRIDGE, May 10, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

Dear Sir, — In making my annual report to you, as required by canon, I would say that during the past year I have officiated in different dioceses, as I have had opportunity, on nearly every Sunday.

I am faithfully yours,

D'ESTAING JENNINGS.

CARTHAGE, Mo., April 19, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.:

Since last summer I have had several opportunities of officiating in the services of the Church. I am very desirous of resuming regular parish work, as my health has so much improved under long rest and care.

W. F. LHOYD.

OXFORD, May 15, 1882.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — In accordance with the canon, I hereby report that during the last Convention year I have continued my rest in hope of restored health. I have officiated eight times, celebrated Holy Communion once, and assisted at the same twice during the year. I came to Germany a month ago, where I hope to remain during the greater part of a year. With entire rest and the strictest care I hope to be able to resume my official work in due time.

Very faithfully and respectfully yours,

W. McGLATHERY.

CASSEL, HESSEN NASSAU, April 29, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese:

From causes of a domestic nature, my residence during the past Conventional year has continued to be, as heretofore, at Worcester.

My church services have been principally confined, as before, to St. Matthew's Church, with occasional services at Cherry Valley, Leicester.

GEORGE S. PAINE.

WORCESTER, May 10, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

In accordance with canonical requisition, I have officiated as follows: Prayers, 24; sermons, 27; Eucharist, 12; Sunday school, catechised and address, 4; baptisms, 1.

EDMUND B. PALMER.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop Paddock :

I would respectfully report that I officiated in Christ Church, Plymouth, until July; since that time, in different parishes in the Diocese, as occasion served. I have married one couple, baptized two infants, and administered the Holy Communion four times, all which are reported in the proper place. From Christmas until recently I have been prevented officiating by ill-health, but am now, I am thankful to say, recovered and ready for work.

Yours very sincerely,

J. A. SANDERSON.

BALTIMORE, May 9, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have officiated or assisted, during the year past, in Boston, Somerville, Dorchester, Quincy, Weymouth, Dedham, Brockton, Greenfield, and elsewhere, and have celebrated two marriages.

Respectfully,

SAM'L R. SLACK.

WAKEFIELD, May 10, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

During the past year I have been constantly engaged in teaching, and have performed no clerical duties.

CARLOS SLAFTER.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

I have assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion at Trinity Church in this city during the past year.

EDMUND F. SLAFTER.

BOSTON, May 10, 1882.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have been engaged in my ministerial duties at St. Paul's Chapel, College Point, during the past year, and in school-work in New York City.

EDWARD H. TRUE.

FLUSHING, L.I., May 8, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

My work during the last year has been divided principally between Sunday lectures and editorial writing. The Sunday lectures have been confined entirely to the history of the Church in England and America; and the increasing interest in them has led me to give them more and more my best thought and study. They aim to show how the principles of the Church have become a part of English and American life, and are intended to deepen and strengthen the Church's hold upon the people. Full courses of these lectures have been delivered during the season in Trinity Church, Haverhill, Emmanuel Church, Somerville, St. Thomas's Church, Taunton,

St. Peter's Church, Cambridge, and St. John's Church, Roxbury. When not engaged with lectures, I have almost constantly officiated on Sundays in different parts of the diocese. All through the year I have been actively engaged in the studies which go with an attempt to handle the contemporary questions in religion, morals, education, and social life, in the religious and secular press; and these duties have been so pressing that I have been obliged to withdraw myself entirely from parochial work.

JULIUS H. WARD.

MAY, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, DD.:

I have to report for the past Conventional year that I have officiated on Sundays and other days continuously, at various churches. For the last six months I have had charge of St. Philip's Church, New York, an engagement which I have recently renewed. Twenty-nine persons were presented by me for confirmation. This and other official acts will be found in the books of the parish.

TREADWELL WALDEN.

JUNE 1, 1882.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have been assistant at St. Matthew's Church, South Boston, under the Rev. John Wright. I began labors at this post at the beginning of December, although my appointment did not come in due form until the end of said December. During Lent, owing to the absence of the Rector, extra duties fell to my lot. For statistics I refer to the regular report from St. Matthew's Parish, made by the Rector.

Respectfully,

ALFRED FOSTER WASHBURN,

Deacon and Assistant at St. Matthew's

SOUTH BOSTON, MASS.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

An intermittent vocal trouble during the past Conventional year has allowed me to perform but partial labors on Sunday and other times, and in many cases no clerical labors at all. At this date I am much better, owing probably to my absence from Boston during the past two months.

WM. C. WINSLOW.

BOSTON, May 25, 1882.

ASTOR, LENOX AND
TILDEN FOUNDATION.

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THE DIOCESE OF MASS. IN 1888

	<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	<i>\$1,197 25</i>
By assessment of	Grace Church, New Bedford.....	30 00
"	Grace Church, Newton.....	37 50
"	St. John's Church, North Adams.....	18 00
"	St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield, 1880-81.....	30 00
"	St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield.....	5 00
"	Christ Church, Quincy.....	19 00
"	Christ Church, Rochdale.....	7 50
"	Grace Church, Salem.....	27 00
"	St. Peter's Church, Salem.....	30 00
"	Emmanuel Church, Somerville.....	15 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Southborough.....	15 00
"	Christ Church, Springfield.....	30 00
"	St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....	23 00
"	St. John's Church, Taunton.....	10 00
"	St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....	37 50
"	Trinity Church, Van Dusen'sville.....	4 50
"	Christ Church, Waltham.....	10 00
"	Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.....	23 50
"	St. John's Church, Wilkesonville.....	5 00
"	Trinity Church, Woburn.....	7 00
"	Church of the Messiah, Wood's Hall.....	12 00
"	All Saints' Church, Worcester.....	60 00
"	Trinity Church, Wrentham.....	12 57
"	Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton.....	12 00
"	St. Paul's Church, Natick.....	4 50
"	St. Paul's Church, Newburyport.....	16 00
"	St. John's Church, Framlingham.....	5 00
"	St. James's Church, Cambridge.....	15 00
"	St. Thomas's Church, Somerville.....	9 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Adams.....	12 00
"	St. Luke's Church, Chelsea.....	15 00
"	Trinity Church, Weymouth.....	2 25
		<hr/> \$1,575
Balance from last year.....		206
		<hr/> \$1,882

APPENDIX B.

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with CHARLES H. LEAROYD, *Treas.*

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1881.			
May 19,	Paid the Rev. Lewis Green.....	\$7 00	
" 19,	" Secretary of Convention, on account.....	100 00	
" 27,	" Sexton of Trinity Church.....	20 00	
" 30,	" bill of Rev. W. H. Brooks, D.D.....	4 00	
June 10,	" " Rand, Avery, & Co.	3 00	
" 30,	" " W. A. Cheney.....	5 00	
" 18,	" " Secretary of Convention.....	218 00	
Aug. 20,	" " Alfred Mudge & Son.....	507 90	
Oct. 13,	" appropriation in full to Episcopal Ch. Assoc. for 1880-1,	200 00	
Nov. 7,	" bill of Alfred Mudge & Son.....	2 25	
" 14,	" " A. Williams & Co.....	35 00	
" 18,	" " M. H. Mallory & Co.....	14 40	
1882.			
Feb. 22,	" " Rev. Joseph Jenks	31 16	
April 3,	" " Treasurer	100 00	
" 3,	" " on account of appropriation to Episcopal Ch. Assoc.	200 00	
" 18,	" " of Rand, Avery, & Co.....	37 50	
" 23,	" " for stationery and postage	7 55	
" 28,	" " of Bishop Paddock.....	32 57	
May 4,	" appropriation in full to Episcopal Church Association..	200 00	
Balance			\$1,725 93
			157 02
			\$1,882 95

Examined and approved, May 11, 1882.

JULIUS H. WARD,
MOSEN E. OSGOOD,
Finance Committee.

DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1881-1882.

RECEIPTS.

From Amesbury, St. James's	\$9 00
Amherst, Grace.....	27 86
Andover, Christ	85 26
Arlington, St. John's	10 00
Ashfield, St. John's	17 12
Beverly, St. Peter's	10 00
Boston, Advent	100 00
" All Saints'.....	25 56
" Emmanuel.....	1,005 12
" Good Shepherd	100 00
" Grace, South Boston	20 13
" Messiah	21 00
" St. Anne's, Dorchester	15 00
" St. John's, Highlands	40 00
" St. John's, Jamaica Plain	88 30
" St. Margaret's, Brighton	20 00
" St. Mary's, Dorchester	35 12
" St. Matthew's, South Boston	6 20
" St. Paul's	57 45
" Trinity	1,403 00
Brockton, St. Paul's.....	11 00
Brookline, St. Paul's	336 30
Cambridge, Ascension	22 36
" Christ.....	100 00
" St. James's	18 06
" St. John's Memorial.....	50 00
" St. Peter's	18 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's	7 00
Chelsea, St. Luke's	6 00
Clinton, Good Shepherd	40 00
Danvers, Calvary	10 00
Dedham, Good Shepherd	6 00
" St. Paul's	113 97
Eastern Convocation—contributed by Trinity, Haverhill; St. Peter's, Salem; Advent, Boston; St. Anne's, Lowell	58 14
Fall River, Ascension	34 28
" St. John's	25 35
" St. Mark's Chapel	3 59
Fitchburg, Christ	66 00
Framingham, St. John's	30 00
Franklin, Mission	2 00
Gloucester, St. John's	23 03
Great Barrington, St. James's	20 00
Greenfield, St. James's	56 27
Hanover, St. Andrew's	35 00
Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist.....	2 00
" Trinity	30 00
Holyoke, St. Paul's	34 27
Hyde Park, Christ	32 00
Lanesborough, St. Luke's	5 40
Lawrence, Grace	75 00
" St. John's	50 00
Lee, St. George's	12 21
Lenox, Trinity	95 00
Linden, St. Luke's Mission	7 10
Longwood, Our Saviour.....	130 51
Lowell, St. Anne's	86 86
" St. John's	54 00
Lynn, St. Stephen's	103 00
Malden, St. Paul's.....	50 00
Marblehead, St. Michael's	36 00
Medford, Grace	53 48
Medway, Christ	11 84
Mcrose, Trinity	16 00
Milford, Trinity.....	11 43
Millbury, Mission.....	12 00
Millville, St. John's	15 00
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\$5,15	

From Nantucket, St. Paul's.....	\$30 00	
Natick, St. Paul's	10 00	
New Bedford, Grace	112 42	
Newburyport, St. Paul's	50 00	
Newton, Grace	56 77	
" Grace, Sunday school	8 06	
" Mesalah	18 57	
North Adams, St. John's	6 00	
Northampton, St. John's	17 00	
North Attleborough, Grace	17 25	
Oxford, Grace	6 60	
Peabody, St. Paul's	10 00	
Pittsfield, St. Stephen's	20 00	
Plymouth, Christ	12 98	
Quincy, Christ	8 41	
Rochdale, Christ	13 40	
Salem, Grace	66 02	
" St. Peter's	86 00	
Sheffield, Christ.....	23 00	
Somerville, Emmanuel	16 00	
Southborough, St. Mark's	29 51	
Springfield, Christ	50 46	
Stockbridge, St. Paul's	46 88	
Swansea, Christ	22 00	
Taunton, St. Thomas's	205 00	
Van Deusenville, Trinity	25 00	
Wakefield, Emmanuel	10 00	
Waltham, Christ	50 00	
Webster, Reconciliation.....	177 38	
Westfield, Atonement	10 25	
Weymouth, Trinity	4 00	
Wilkinsonville, St. John's	23 00	
Woburn, Trinity	7 00	
Wood's Holl, Messiah.....	100 00	
Worcester, All Saints'	50 00	
" All Saints', Central Convocation	2 48	
Wrentham, Trinity	14 64	
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Individual and Special Gifts		\$6,466 58
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society		1,192 78
Balance from Account of previous year		33 00
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		\$9,771 60

PAYMENTS.

To Amesbury, St. James's, 11 months	\$275 00	
Arlington, St. John's	200 00	
Ashfield, St. John's.....	300 00	
Bridgewater, Trinity	350 00	
Brighton, St. Margaret's	200 00	
Brockton, St. Paul's Mission	408 32	
Cambridge, Ascension Mission	375 00	
Chelmsford, St. Anne's	200 00	
Cherry Valley, Mission	250 00	
Clinton, Good Shepherd	358 28	
Danvers, Calvary	200 00	
Dorchester, All Saints'.....	200 00	
Fall River, St. John's, 10 months.....	250 00	
Framingham, St. John's, 4½ months	37 50	
Franklin, Mission, 6 months	100 00	
Gloucester, St. John's	300 00	
Ipswich, Ascension, 3 months	50 00	
Lee, St. George's, 5½ months.....	153 11	
Medway, Christ, 4 months	66 66	
Millford, Trinity	199 99	
Millbury, Mission	200 00	
Millville, St. John's	300 00	
Nantucket, St. Paul's	400 00	
Natick, St. Paul's, 10 months	833 33	
Newton, Messiah, 8 months	75 00	
North Attleborough, Grace	200 00	
Oxford, Grace	150 00	
Peabody, St. Paul's, Mission	250 00	
Plymouth, Christ	300 00	
Rochdale, Christ	300 00	
Sheffield, Christ, 9½ months	160 00	
Swansea, Christ, 10 months	166 66	
Van Deusenville, Trinity	100 00	
Wakefield, Emmanuel	300 00	
Waltham, Ascension Mission, 11 months	183 30	
Westfield, Atonement	400 00	
Wilkinsonville, St. John's	200 00	
Williamstown, St. John's, 9½ months.....	167 97	
Woburn, Trinity.....	200 00	
Wrentham, Trinity	200 00	
		\$9,0
Stipend of General Missionary, 6 months, to March 1, 1882	\$750 00	
Expense Account of General Missionary	145 81	
Publication and Distribution of "The Diocese"	334 40	
Expense of Semi-annual Missionary Meetings.....	9 00	
Printing	11 95	
Special to Mission at Hingham.....	7 00	
Reading matter for Distribution by General Missionary.....	25 00	
Secretary's Expense Account, 1880-81 and 1881-2	9 75	
Treasurer's Expense Account	50 00	
		1,3
		\$10,31

The total receipts for the year, as shown in the above statement, have been \$9,771.60, the total expenditure \$10,393.03, showing an excess of expenditure over income for the year of \$621.43. The Board therefore begins the new year with a debt of \$621.43.

J. S. BLATCHFORD, *Treas*

**SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF
DECEASED CLERGYMEN OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL
CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.**

INVENTORY OF THE ANNUITY FUND, APRIL 4, 1882.

<i>Investment.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Policy No. 4,245, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Co. ...	\$9,145 67	\$9,145 67
" No. 3,848 " " " " "	15,831 65	15,831 65
4,000 United States 3½ per cent bonds (extended)	4,000 00	4,000 00
3,000 Chicago 7 per cent bonds (water)	3,000 00	3,600 00
3,000 " " " (sewer).....	3,000 00	3,600 00
5,000 Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis 7 per cent bonds	5,000 00	6,000 00
2,000 Newport, Ky., 7½ bonds (water)	2,000 00	2,300 00
2,000 Boston 5 per cent bonds (registered and coupon)	2,000 00	2,400 00
4,000 Massachusetts 5 per cent bonds (registered)	4,000 00	4,600 00
1,000 Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago R.R. bonds, 6 per cent	1,000 00	1,020 00
5 shares Great Falls Manufacturing Company	500 00	500 00
20 " Atlantic Cotton Mills	2,600 00	4,600 00
15 " Lyman Mills	1,500 00	1,800 00
22 " State National Bank	2,200 00	2,700 00
Note and mortgage of Stimson	750 00	750 00
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	\$56,527 32	\$62,847 32

INVENTORY OF THE CHARITY FUND, APRIL 4, 1882.

<i>Investment.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Policy No. 3,854 Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Co.	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00
7,000 Eastern R.R., Co. 4½ per cent bonds	7,000 00	7,500 00
4,000 New Bedford R.R., 7 per cent bonds	4,000 00	4,400 00
5,000 Burlington and Missouri R.R. 6 per cent bonds (n. ex.)....	5,000 00	5,200 00
30 shares Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago R.R. Company	3,000 00	3,000 00
4 shares Massachusetts National Bank	1,000 00	1,200 00
7 " Washington " "	700 00	1,000 00
14 " Boston " "	1,400 00	1,700 00
20 " Traders " "	2,000 00	1,900 00
20 " Webster " "	2,000 00	2,300 0
18 " Second " "	1,800 00	2,700 00
20 " National Bank of North America	2,000 00	2,300 0
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	\$34,900 00	\$38 200 00

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Boston, May 8, 1882. The undersigned have examined the foregoing account, and find it to be correctly cast and properly vouched; and we have seen the evidences of property on hand belonging to the society, amounting in all (at par value) to \$91,427.32, at a market value of \$101,047.32.

**JOS. S. FAY,
FRANCIS C. FOSTER,**
Auditing Committee.

YEARLY REPORT OF TREASURER EPISCOPAL CLERICAL
FUND. '

AT ANNUAL MEETING, MAY, 1882.

May 17, 1881. Cash on hand	\$543 01	
Receipts from churches	892 08	
Interest from investments	806 34	
Donations	10,050 00	
Northern Pacific R.R. bond called	1,000 00	
6,000 Missisquoi bonds sold	720 00	
		<u>\$14,010 98</u>
Payments to beneficiaries	\$1,250 00	
Investments made	11,938 00	
		<u>13,188 00</u>
May 9, 1882. Balance to new account.....		\$822 98

INVESTMENTS.

Burlington and Missouri in Nebraska 6 per cent bonds	\$1,800 00	
" " " " " 7 per cent land grant bonds	2,000 00	
United States registered 4 per cent bonds	900 00	
" " " 3½ per cent bonds	500 00	
Northern Pacific R.R. 6 per cent bonds	6,000 00	
		<u>\$11,200 00</u>
Burlington and Missouri 4 per cent bonds (Randolph M. Clark memorial fund) ..	12,000 00	
		<u>\$23,200 00</u>

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS
TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

*To the Ninety-second Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the
Diocese of Massachusetts, held at Boston, May 10, 1882.*

The amount of the Bishop's Fund May 18, 1881, the date of the last report, was	\$90,222 25
Since that date cash subscriptions have been received amount- ing to	158 33
Parish note of church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton . . .	400 00
Gain on sale of certain investments	2,337 87
Total of the fund	<u>\$93,118 45</u>

. The Bishop's salary has been paid in full according to the vote of the
last Convention.

The trustees have voted to take charge of a fund for the purchase or
erection of a house in Boston for church rooms, and have received subscrip-
tions to the amount of \$500 for this purpose.

WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, May 10, 1882.

APPENDIX C.

A Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A.M.

At the hour appointed for the opening of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows:—

I. 1. The Lord's Prayer, and the "Prayer to be used at the Meetings of Conventions."

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats in the Convention. He shall then call the names of Parishes, and receive certificates, as by Sect. 4, Canon 2, Title I.

3. The President shall appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to whom the list of the Clergy and the Credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred.

II. Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

III. 1. Immediately after Divine Service, the Committee on Qualifications shall report. The Convention shall act at once and without debate, upon all undisputed names and credentials. All questions of membership raised by the Committee or by the Convention shall be laid aside temporarily.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees: viz., a Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, to consist of three Clergymen and three Laymen; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to consist of five members, three Clergymen and two laymen; an Executive Committee, — for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this Body, and for recommending the time and place for holding the next Convention, — to consist of three members, two Clergymen and one Layman; a Committee on Unfinished Business, and a Committee on Finance, to consist each of three members, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

8. A recess shall be ordered.

P.M.

IV. Report of the Committee on Qualifications, on Certificates and Documents, laid aside. The Convention shall take immediate action. Subsequent Reports of the Committee on Qualifications shall be in order at any time.

V. 1. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he shall prefer another time for its delivery.

2. Reference of matters therein contained, if so ordered, to Committees.

3. Presentation of subjects by resolutions, to be referred without debate to Standing or Special Committees.

VI. Reports and actions upon them, in the following order:—

1. Parochial Reports to be received by the Bishop.

2. Report from the Committee on New Parishes, the Admission of the Parishes, and the Reception of their Lay Delegates.

3. Report from the Standing Committee.

4. Report from the Diocesan Board of Missions.

5. Reports from the Convocations.

6. Reports from Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

7. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.

8. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

9. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

10. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.

11. Report from Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches, etc.

12. Report from the Trustees of Donations.

13. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.

14. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

15. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

16. Reports from any other Church or Charitable Societies recognized by the Convention.

17. Reports from any of the Standing Committees of the Convention, in their order, as in III. 6. If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed; and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.

VII. Miscellaneous business.

VIII. Adjournment to the second day.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

IX. 1. Morning Prayer at 9 A.M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the first day, and action upon them.

3. The calling of the roll.

X. 1. The finishing of the business which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

2. The disposal of unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

XI. 1. The Standing Committees shall be called in their order; reports may be received from any of them, and action may be taken thereon.

2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the session, and action thereon.

XII. Miscellaneous business.

XIII. Elections, to be proceeded with at 11 o'clock A.M., in the following order:—

1. Of Treasurer of the Convention.

2. Of Registrar.

3. Of Deputies to the General Convention.

4. Of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

5. Selection of persons to be nominated to the General Convention, or to the Board of Trustees, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

6. Election of Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

7. Election of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

8. Election of Committee on entertaining the Clerical Members of the Convention.

XIV. Miscellaneous business.

XV. Adjournment to the third day, if the Convention be prolonged.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

XVI. 1. Morning Prayer, reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.

2. The disposal of the unfinished business of the Convention, in the order above prescribed.

XVII. When the Convention shall be prepared to adjourn without day, there shall be reading of the Minutes not already approved, and action thereon; then, after Prayers and Benediction by the President, the Convention shall stand so adjourned, without day.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention; nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Convention; and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention it shall be in order — 1, To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the Minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action allowed by Rule V. shall have been taken; but, with the consent of the Convention,

the mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken, or it has been put upon its passage, in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the Tellers or Committee appointed to count the ballots withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention, on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained. No printed ballots shall be used, except such as shall have been presented to the Convention before the election proceeds, by or in the name of the member of the Convention proposing the nominations contained in such ballot.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of Business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

GUIDE IN ORGANIZING NEW PARISHES.

A resolution of Convention (Journal of 1871, pp. 45, 46, and 196) recommends, as a guide to new Parishes in organizing, the form of Constitution and By-Laws hereto appended. An important requirement of the Constitution of the Diocese is, however, first to be noted; viz., —

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Articles of Association, or other satisfactory evidence of its organization (or, if specially incorporated, of its Charter), and of its Constitution and By-Laws; in which it must be declared that such Parish accedes to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship, the Constitution and Canons, of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and such Parish shall lay before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens and Vestry, that it has been duly organized as such for the space of one year, and during that time has held regular public services.

SECT. 2. Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter, and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese, at least one month before the Annual Session of the Convention, and be approved by them respectively; or, if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention the reasons in writing of such disapproval. The whole subject, with all the documents, shall be referred to a special committee of three Clerical and three Lay Members of the Convention, to report thereon.

The Resolution, and the recommended Form of Constitution and By-Laws, here follow : —

Resolved, That, in order to secure as much uniformity as local circumstances will permit, and also to place the management of Parish affairs on a wise and just basis, the following Form of Constitution and By-Laws is recommended:—

CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, The undersigned have associated themselves together for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God, according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, and have for that purpose formed a Parish at..... in.....they therefore declare the following to be the objects, conditions, and articles of their said association, viz:—

First, The name of this Parish shall be "The Rector, Church-Wardens, and Vestrymen of.....;" or, "The Parish of"

Second, This Parish acknowledges itself to be a member of and to belong to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in the Diocese of Massachusetts. As such, it accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of said Church, and acknowledges the authority of the same accordingly.

Third, Any male person of the age of twenty-one years, who has subscribed to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish, and who has aided in maintaining public worship therein for a period of twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, either by regular attendance thereon, or by pecuniary aid in hiring a sitting, or otherwise, shall be considered a member of the Parish, and entitled to vote in all its affairs while he continues such member; but no member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be eligible to any office or function in this Parish, or be entitled to vote in its affairs.

Fourth, The Rector of this Parish shall be elected by the members thereof, unless the By-Laws otherwise provide; but no person shall be eligible to that office unless he shall have had Episcopal ordination, and unless he be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, and recognized as such by the Bishop of this Diocese, or, in case of a vacancy, by the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Fifth, All the property of this Parish shall be taken and held subject to the control and disposition of the Vestry of the same, but shall not be sold or conveyed without the vote of the Parish; but the rents, revenues, and incomes of the same shall be applied from time to time to the support of the Rector or Minister thereof, and for the erection and repairs of the church, churchyard, parsonage, and other buildings belonging to the same, and other necessary Parish charges, and to no other use or purpose whatever.

Sixth, This Constitution may be amended as follows: Any proposed amendment shall be submitted to a meeting of the Vestry, and upon its recommendation shall be submitted to a meeting of the Parish, and, if approved by the same, shall be submitted to the next Diocesan Convention, and upon its approval shall be deemed and taken to be a part of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter Week, in the church, chapel, place of worship, or such place as the Wardens may appoint, at which meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, any business may be transacted without any previous notice thereof. Notice of this meeting shall be posted seven days prior thereto on the church door, and given from the chancel on the Sunday previous by the clergyman officiating. All meetings shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 2. Special meetings shall be called by the Wardens, or in case of vacancy, by three members of the Vestry, whenever they deem it advisable,

or whenever so requested in writing, either by the Rector or any five members of the Parish; but at special meetings no business shall be transacted unless specified in the notice calling the same. Such meetings shall be notified by the Clerk, by mailing or delivering to each member of the Parish a written or printed notice of the time, place, and purposes of the meeting, four days at least before the same is held.

SECT. 3. At all meetings of the Parish, the Rector, if present, or in his absence one of the Wardens, shall preside; in their absence, a temporary presiding officer shall be chosen by the members present.

SECT. 4. At a meeting of the Parish, five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but any less number may adjourn such meeting.

SECT. 5. At the annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, there shall be chosen two Wardens (who shall also act as Assessors), a Treasurer and Collector, a Clerk, and such number of Vestrymen not exceeding..... as may be determined by the members present; all of whom shall constitute the Vestry, such election to be in all cases by ballot; and the person having the highest number of ballots shall be elected, the officers so elected to serve until the next annual meeting, and until others are elected *and qualified* in their stead. Any vacancies may be filled by the Vestry. All such officers, except the Vestry, shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties; the fact of taking the oath being recorded by the Clerk. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall be chosen at the annual meeting by ballot, or as the members present may determine.

SECT. 6. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall have the management and oversight of all the temporal affairs of the Parish, and shall, in connection with the Rector, make necessary preparations for public worship and for the music at the same. They shall meet as often as once in every three months, and whenever requested by the Rector or either Warden. At each meeting the record of the previous meeting shall be read and approved, or amended. The Rector shall be notified of the meetings of the Vestry, and, if present, shall preside, and be entitled, in common with each member of the Vestry, to one vote.

SECT. 7. The Clerk shall keep a true record of all the proceedings of the Parish, and also of the doings of the Wardens and Vestry, in suitable books for that purpose; and shall also record all deeds or transfers of pews, for which latter duty he shall be entitled to the sum of fifty cents for each deed. At any Parish meeting any member may call for the reading of the records of the Vestry meeting for the preceding year.

SECT. 8. The Treasurer shall keep a true account of all moneys received and paid out by him, and present a full account thereof and of the financial condition of the Parish at each annual meeting; and such account shall be audited and approved by the Wardens and Vestrymen, or a committee thereof. He shall pay no sum exceeding ten dollars, except for regular fixed salaries, without the approval of at least one Warden or two Vestrymen, or the previous direction of the Parish or Vestry. He shall give bonds, whenever required by the Wardens or Vestry, for the faithful performance of his duties.

SECT. 9. All pews shall be liable to assessment for the support of the Rector and the maintenance of public worship, the repairs of the church, and all other necessary Parish charges, as the Parish may determine, according to the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 10. These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed, at any regular meeting of the Parish, by a majority of the legal members present; *provided* notice thereof is set forth in the notice calling the meeting.

FORMS OF APPLICATIONS TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS SEEKING THE SACRED MINISTRY.

I. — CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

The Postulant for admission to Candidature may at any time, after application to the Bishop duly made, apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a candidate. He should present an application in the following form:—

(1) The undersigned respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a Candidate, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If the Testimonials are signed by others than a Rector and Vestry, let him here state the reasons.

(2) TESTIMONIALS.

We whose names are hereunder written testify, from our personal knowledge and belief, that A B is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is a Communicant of the said Church in good standing; and do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry.

Here follow the signatures of the Rector, and a majority of the Vestry of the Parish or Congregation to which the Postulant belongs.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonials were signed by the Rector and a majority of the Vestry of.....Church in....., said Vestry being duly convened, on the.....day of.....188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But these Testimonials may be signed, in circumstances justifying such alternative, by at least one Presbyter and four respectable Laymen, Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The Standing Committee shall be sole judge of the propriety of receiving Testimonials signed by others than a Rector and Vestry.

If a person not having had Episcopal ordination, but acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate in any other denomination of Christians, desires to become a Candidate, he first applies to the Bishop, as directed in Canon 2, § vii. of Title I. of the Digest, and, when the Bishop authorizes further procedure, he should present to the Standing Committee the *Application* and *Testimonials* above given, and with them the two following certificates:—

(1) A Testimonial from at least twelve members of the denomination from which he comes, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons,—in part of the denomination from which he comes, and in part of this Church,—satisfactory to the Committee, certifying that the Postulant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and

(2) A Testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they believe the Postulant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

II.—FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

(1) The undersigned, a Candidate for Holy Orders, respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission to the Sacred Order of Deacons, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If the Testimonials are signed by others than the Minister and Vestry of the Parish of which he is a member, let him here state the reasons.

(2) We whose names are hereunder written do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A B, for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord....

Here follow the signatures of the Minister and Vestry of the Parish or Congregation of which the Candidate is a member, or of the Vestry alone, if the Parish be vacant.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed by the Minister and Vestry of.....Church, in....., at a meeting duly convened and held on the.....day of.....188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But if there be no organized Parish or Congregation where the Candidate has resided, or if, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, he shall be unable to procure Testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept Testimonials of the purport above stated from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and in that case it is recommended that the residences of the signers should be given, and that, unless they are personally known to the Standing Committee, their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a Testimonial, signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following words:—

(3) I [or we] do certify that A B, for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I [or we] know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and moreover I [or we] think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. This Testimonial is founded on my [or our] personal knowledge of the said A B for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me [or us]. In witness whereof, I [or we] have hereunto set my [or our] hand [or hands], this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

In the case of a Candidate who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate by some other denomination of Christians, the Testimonials are required to cover only the time since his admission to Candidature.

A Candidate for the Office and Ministration of a Deacon only shall not be ordained within one year from his admission, unless the Bishop, *with the consent of the Standing Committee*, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, in no case to be less than six months.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be ordained to the Diaconate within three years from his admission, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, *with the consent of three-fourths of the Standing Committee*, shall admit him to the Diaconate while yet prosecuting his course of theological studies; in which case he may be ordained at any time after the expiration of one year from his admission.

III. — FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

(1) The undersigned respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission to Priest's Orders, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If signed by others than the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, let him here state the reasons.

(2) We whose names are hereunder written do testify that A B, for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Here follow the signatures of the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where the applicant resides.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed by the Minister and Vestry of.....Church, in....., said Vestry being duly convened, on the.....day of....., 188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But if the Parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the Parish, the above Testimonial is to be signed by the Vestry alone.

And in case peculiar circumstances not affecting his moral character, or the want of a Vestry where he is residing or ministering, should hinder the procurement of Testimonials as above, the Standing Committee may accept Testimonials, of the same tenor, from at least twelve respectable members of

the Protestant Episcopal Church. It is best that, in this case also their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a Testimonial, signed by at least one Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form: —

(3) I do certify that A B, for the space of three years last past, has lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. This Testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A B for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time, upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Candidates for the Priesthood, ordained Deacons under Sect. V. or Sect. VI. of Canon 6, shall not be required to have Testimonials covering more time than has elapsed since their admission to Candidateship.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders ordained Deacon within three years preceding the time of his application for recommendation for ordination to the Priesthood shall only be required to have Testimonials extending back to the time of his ordination, *provided* nothing shall have in the mean while occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the Candidate was ordained a Deacon.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been a Candidate for the Ministry of any other denomination of Christians, may be allowed, as part of the duration of his Candidateship, by the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, the period during which he may have been a Student of Theology or Candidate in such other denomination: *provided* that the time so allowed shall not exceed two years.

A Candidate for Priesthood shall not be ordained within three years from his admission, nor, in any case, within one year from his reception of Deacon's Orders except by the *advice and consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese at a meeting duly convened.*

NOTICE. — The Standing Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month except August.

Candidates desiring to be recommended to the Bishop for Orders, and persons seeking to be admitted Candidates, will please send their papers to the Rev. George S. Converse, 98 Cedar Street, Boston Highlands.

All applications lie over one month, and are published in one of the church papers.

Those who expect to be ordained should prepare their papers two months before the time for their ordination.

APPENDIX D.

I.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN

IN THE

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS,

May, 1882.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D.D., Bishop, Boston.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, Rector of St. James's, North Cambridge.

The Rev. ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD ALLEN, D.D., Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.

The Rev. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN, Assistant at Trinity, Boston.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston.

The Rev. AUGUSTINE HEARD AMORY, Assistant at Grace, Lawrence, and Missionary at St. Paul's, North Andover.

The Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN ANDERSON, Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington, and of Trinity, Van Deusenville.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., Rector of St. Peter's, Salem.

The Rev. DAVID JACOB AYERS, Assistant at St. Anne's, Lowell.

The Rev. WILLIAM ROBINSON BABCOCK, D.D., Narragansett Pier, R.I.

The Rev. ARTHUR MANN BACKUS, Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham.

The Rev. SAMUEL REED BAILEY, East Livermore, Me.

The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, Rector of St. Mark's, Boston, and Examining Chaplain.

The Rev. ARTHUR HENRY BARRINGTON, Rector of Grace, Fiskdale.

The Rev. WILLIAM STOODLEY BARTLET, Registrar of the Diocese, Chelsea.

The Rev. JOHN S. BEERS, General Missionary of the Diocese, Natick.

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, Rector of All Saints', Dorchester, Boston.

The Rev. JOHN ALMA BRVINGTON, Assistant at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston.

The Rev. FRANK HAGAR BIGELOW, Cordoba, Argentine Republic, S.A.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, Rector of Emmanuel, Somerville.

The Rev. HARRY INNES BODLEY, Rector of St. John's, North Adams.

The Rev. LEVI BOYER, Rector of St. Paul's, Nantucket.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., Rector of Trinity, Boston.

- The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., officiating at St. Andrew's, Hanover.
- The Rev. ABBOTT BROWN, Secretary of the Mexican League, New York.
- The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, Rector of St. Thomas's, Methuen.
- The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector of St. James's, Roxbury, Boston.
- The Rev. GEORGE HICKMAN BUCK, Missionary at Grace Church, South Boston.
- The Rev. FRANCIS GUILD BURGESS, Deacon, in Europe.
- The Rev. FREDERICK BURGESS, Jr., Rector of Grace, Amherst.
- The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL, Chelsea.
- The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., Examining Chaplain, in Europe.
- The Rev. ELI HAWLEY CANFIELD, D.D., Arlington, Vt.
- The Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, D.D., East Sandwich.
- The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, in charge of St. John's, East Boston.
- The Rev. ALBERT ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Fall River.
- The Rev. ARTHUR WELLESLEY CHAPMAN, Deacon, in charge of St. James's, Amesbury.
- The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.
- The Rev. JONAS B. CLARK, Superintendent of Public Schools, Swampscott.
- The Rev. JOSEPH HART CLINCH, S.T.D., Chaplain of City Institutions, South Boston, and Secretary of Convention.
- The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, Rector of St. John's, Roxbury, Boston.
- The Rev. JAMES IVERS TRECOTHICK COOLIDGE, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's, Southborough, and Head Master of St. Mark's School, Southborough.
- The Rev. HENRY EVAN COTTON, Rector of Christ Church, Quincy.
- The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D., Rector of St. Paul's, Boston.
- The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, Rector of the House of Prayer, Lowell, and in charge of Emmanuel Church, Chelmsford.
- The Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS, Rector of St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn.
- The Rev. FREDERICK W. DENNIS, Deacon, in Europe.
- The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Andover.
- The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, Rector of St. Paul's, Newburyport.
- The Rev. CHARLES W. DUFFIELD, Missionary at Ascension Mission, Cambridge.
- The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, Rector of St. Thomas's, East Somerville.
- The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D., Rector of St. Anne's, Lowell.
- The Rev. SAMUEL EDWARDS, in charge of Trinity, Milford, and of Christ Church, Medway.
- The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, Rector of St. John's, Wilkinsonville, and Missionary at Millbury.
- The Rev. SAMUEL MOODY EMERY, D.D., Newburyport.
- The Rev. THOMAS FREDERICK FALES, Rector of Christ Church, Waltham, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. H. WARREN FAY, Westborough.
- The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, Rector of Trinity, Lenox.
- The Rev. PETER VOORHEES FINCH, Rector of St. James's, Greenfield.
- The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, Brooklyn, N.Y.
- The Rev. HENRY LEWIS FOOTE, Rector of St. Paul's, Holyoke.
- The Rev. FRANCIS AUGUSTUS FOXCROFT, Cambridge.
- The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, Rector of Grace, Salem.
- The Rev. FREDERICK FREEMAN, Sandwich.
- The Rev. WALTER RUSSELL GARDNER, Assistant at the Church of the Advent, Boston.
- The Rev. ALBERT EUGENE GEORGE, Rector of St. James's, South Groveland.
- The Rev. BENJAMIN ROWLEY GIFFORD, in Europe.
- The Rev. EDWIN WALTER GOULD, in Europe.
- The Rev. CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston.
- The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, Rector of St. Luke's, Chelsea.
- The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D., Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
- The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, Rector of St. John's, Ashfield.
- The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, Rector of St. Peter's, Cambridge.
- The Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, Assistant at the Church of the Advent, Boston.

- The Rev. ETIENNE THEODORE HAMEL**, officiating at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton.
- The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN**, Rector of St. Paul's, Natick, and of St. John's, Framingham.
- The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HARRIS**, Rector of St. Michael's, Marblehead.
- The Rev. DAVID GREENE HASKINS**, S.T.D., Cambridge.
- The Rev. JESSE E. HEALD**, Rector of St. John's, Millville.
- The Rev. OSGOOD EATON HERRICK**, Chaplain U. S. Army, Fortress Monroe, Va.
- The Rev. SAMUEL HAVEN HILLIARD**, Rector of St. George's, Lee, and in charge of the Mission at South Lee.
- The Rev. JAMES MENDS HILLYAR**, Missionary at St. Mary for Sailors, Boston.
- The Rev. SAMUEL HODGKISS**, Deacon, Missionary at Emmanuel, Wakefield.
- The Rev. SAMUEL HOLLINGSWORTH**, S.T.D., New York.
- The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HOOPER**, Rector of St. John's, Gloucester.
- The Rev. NICHOLAS HOPPIN**, D.D., Cambridge.
- The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE**, Rector of the Church of our Saviour, Longwood.
- The Rev. HENRY N. HUDSON**, LL.D., Ph.D., Professor in Boston University.
- The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON**, Rector of St. Paul's, Malden, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON**, D.D., Rector of All Saints', Worcester.
- The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS**, Rector of Grace, Medford, and of St. John's, Arlington.
- The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS**, Rector of Trinity, Bridgewater, and Chaplain of Penitentiary.
- The Rev. D'ESTAING JENNINGS**, Philadelphia.
- The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME**, Rector of Trinity, Weymouth.
- The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON**, Assistant at St. Anne's, Lowell, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. ROBERT ELLIS JONES**, Deacon, Missionary at St. John's, Williamstown.
- The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER**, Assistant at Trinity, Boston, and in charge of the Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston.
- The Rev. BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY**, in Europe.
- The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT**, D.D., Rector of St. John's, Charlestown, Boston.
- The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE**, Rector of St. Paul's, Stockbridge.
- The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE**, Rector of Grace, Lawrence.
- The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROYD**, Rector of St. Thomas's, Taunton, and Treasurer of the Convention.
- The Rev. WILLIAM F. LHOYD**, Oxford.
- The Rev. HENRY MACKAY**, Rector of St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls.
- The Rev. LEANDER CORNELIUS MANCHESTER**, Rector of St. John's, Lowell.
- The Rev. FRANCIS MANSFIELD**, Rector of St. John's, Taunton.
- The Rev. WILLIAM MCGLATHERY**, in Europe.
- The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF**, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale.
- The Rev. NATHAN WATSON MUNROE**, Greenfield.
- The Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE**, Rector of Christ Church, Boston.
- The Rev. HENRY SYLVESTER NASH**, Deacon, Assistant at Christ Church, Waltham.
- The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON**, Rector of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
- The Rev. CHARLES MCILVAINE NICHOLSON**, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.
- The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON**, Rector of Christ Church, Rochdale, and Missionary at Grace, Oxford.
- The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE**, Assistant at the Church of the Advent, Boston.
- The Rev. GEORGE ENDICOTT OSGOOD**, Rector of Grace, North Attleborough.
- The Rev. GEORGE STURGIS PAINE**, Worcester.
- The Rev. CHARLES J. PALMER**, Rector of St. Luke's, Lanesborough.
- The Rev. EDMUND BARNABAS PALMER**, Boston.
- The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS**, Rector of Emmanuel, Boston.
- The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE**, Rector at St. John's, Northampton.
- The Rev. JOSHUA RINDGE PEIRCE**, in charge of St. Anne's Chapel, Dorchester, Boston.

II.

List of Parishes.

I.

IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

May, 1882.

Adams, St. Mark's.	Lenox, Trinity.
Amesbury, St. James's.	Lincoln, St. Anne's.
Amherst, Grace.	Longwood, Our Saviour.
Andover, Christ.	Lowell, St. Anne's.
Ashfield, St. John's.	" St. John's.
Beverly, St. Peter's.	Lynn, St. Stephen's Memorial.
Boston, (Dorchester) All Saints'.	Malden, St. Paul's.
" Christ.	Marblehead, St. Michael's.
" Trinity.	Medford, Grace.
" St. Paul's.	Melrose, Trinity.
" Church of the Messiah.	Milford, Trinity.
" Church of the Advent.	Millville, St. John's.
" Emmanuel.	Nantucket, St. Paul's.
" St. Mark's.	Natick, St. Paul's.
" St. Mary for Sailors.	New Bedford, Grace.
" (South) St. Matthew's.	Newburyport, St. Paul's.
" Good Shepherd.	Newton (Lower Falls), St. Mary's.
" (East) St. John's.	" Grace.
" (Highlands) St. James's.	" (West and Auburndale),
" " St. John's.	Messiah.
" (Charlestown) St. John's.	North Attleborough, Grace.
" (Dorchester) St. Mary's.	North Adams, St. John's.
" (Jamaica Plain) St. John's.	Northampton, St. John's.
" (Brighton) St. Margaret's.	Oxford, Grace.
Bridgewater, Trinity.	Pittsfield, St. Stephen's.
Brookline, St. Paul's.	Plymouth, Christ.
Cambridge, Christ.	Quincy, Christ.
" St. Peter's.	Rochdale, Christ.
" St. James's.	Salem, St. Peter's.
Chelsea, St. Luke's.	" Grace.
Clinton, Good Shepherd.	Sheffield, Christ.
Danvers, Calvary.	Somerville, Emmanuel.
Dedham, St. Paul's.	" (East), St. Thomas's.
" (Oakdale) Good Shepherd.	South Groveland, St. James's.
Easthampton, St. Philip's.	Southborough, St. Mark's.
Fall River, Ascension.	Springfield, Christ.
Fiskdale, Grace.	Stockbridge, St. Paul's.
Fitchburg, Christ.	Swansea, Christ.
Framingham, St. John's.	Taunton, St. John's.
Gloucester, St. John's.	" St. Thomas's.
Great Barrington, St. James's.	Van Deusenville, Trinity.
Greenfield, St. James's.	Wakefield, Emmanuel.
Hanover, St. Andrew's.	Waltham, Christ.
Haverhill, Trinity.	Webster, Reconciliation.
Holyoke, St. Paul's.	Westfield, Atonement.
Hopkinton, St. Paul's.	Weymouth, Trinity.
Hyde Park, Christ.	Wilksonville, St. John's.
Ipswich, Ascension.	Woburn, Trinity.
Lanesborough, St. Luke's.	Wood's Holl, Messiah.
Lawrence, Grace.	Worcester, All Saints'.
" St. John's.	Wrentham, Trinity.
Lee, St. George's.	

II.

ORGANIZED PARISHES NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Arlington, St. John's.
 Brockton, St. Paul's.
 Cambridge, Ascension.
 Chelmsford, St. Anne's.
 Fall River, St. John's.
 Linden, St. Luke's.
 Lowell, House of Prayer.

Methuen, St. Thomas's.
 New Bedford, St. James's.
 Otis, St. Paul's.
 Peabody, St. Paul's.
 Wakefield, Good Shepherd.
 Williamstown, St. John's.
 Worcester, St. Matthew's.

III.

CHAPELS AND MISSIONS.

Boston, (Dorchester), St. Anne's.
 " Evangelists'.
 " St. Stephen's.
 " (South), Grace.
 " " Chapel of Church
 Home.
 Cambridge, St. John's Memorial
 (Episcopal Theologi-
 cal School).
 " (North), St. James's
 Chapel.

Cherry Valley.
 Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist.
 Hingham.
 Medway.
 Millbury.
 North Andover, St. Paul's.
 Shelburne Falls.
 South Lee.
 West Springfield, Good Shepherd.

III. — CHURCHES.

1. CORNER-STONES LAID.

July 14, 1881. St. Mark's, Adams.
 July 14, 1881. St. Paul's, North Andover.
 March 4, 1882. Ascension, Waltham.
 April 17, 1882. St. John's, Jamaica Plain.

2. CONSECRATED.

Nov. 2, 1881. St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn.
 Dec. 15, 1881. Emmanuel, Wakefield.

3. OPENED WITHOUT CONSECRATION.

Grace, New Bedford.
 The Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale.

4. IN BUILDING.

Emmanuel, Chelmsford.
 The Advent, Boston.
 St. Mark's, Adams.
 St. Paul's, North Andover.
 St. John's, Jamaica Plain.
 Ascension, Waltham.
 Grace, Medford, Chapel and Parish House.

APPENDIX E.

Diocese of Massachusetts.

1882.

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

THE RT. REV. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D.D.

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The Ninety-Third Annual Meeting of the Convention will be held in the Chapel of Trinity Church, Boston, on Wednesday, the twenty-fifth day of April, 1883.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH, *Secretary of Convention.*

Notice.

THE Ninety-Third Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Massachusetts, will be holden in Trinity Church, Boston, on the fifth Wednesday after Easter (the 25th of April), 1883, at 9 o'clock A.M.

JOSEPH H. CLINCH,

Secretary of the Convention.

SOUTH BOSTON, May, 1882.

Notice.

THE Preacher of the Annual Convention Sermon is expected to make an appeal in behalf of the Episcopal Clerical Fund ; and the Offertory on the first day of the session is to be appropriated to the funds of that society.

It is recommended to all the Parishes in the Diocese to make a collection on Christmas Day, or on some day in the Advent season, for the Episcopal Clerical Fund.



Diocese of Massachusetts.

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Convention of 1864.

ON motion of Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, —

***Resolved,* That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to enforce the observance of the 1st Section of Canon 12, Title II., of the Digest.**

On motion of the same, —

***Resolved,* That the foregoing resolution, together with the Section of the Canon referred to, be printed upon the cover of the Journal.**

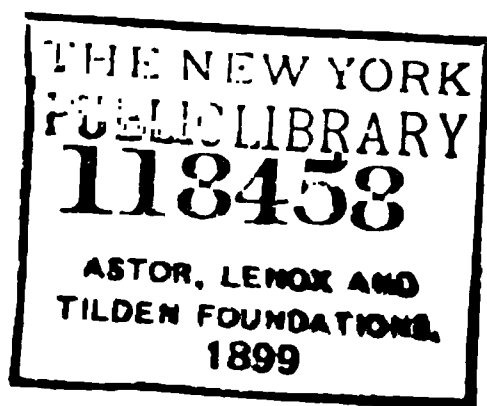
Title II., Canon 12, Section 1.

A communicant removing from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a Certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removed shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

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CHAPEL OF TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON,
April 25 (St. Mark's Day), 1883.

THIS being the day appointed for the Ninety-third Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, the BISHOP and several of the clergy and lay delegates assembled in the Chapel of Trinity Church, Boston, at nine o'clock A.M.

The BISHOP called the Convention to order, and offered the Lord's Prayer and the prayer for meetings of Convention.

The SECRETARY then called over the list prepared by the BISHOP, of all Clergymen in the Diocese entitled to *seats* and *votes* in the Convention, as follows (those not present are printed in *Italics*) : —

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.

The Rev. Edward Abbott.

“ Charles M. Addison.
“ A. V. G. Allen, D.D.
“ Frederick B. Allen.
“ Henry F. Allen.
“ A. H. Amory.
“ Charles Arey, D.D.
“ Julius W. Atwood.
“ Arthur M. Backus.
“ L. B. Baldwin.
“ Charles D. Barbour.
“ *A. H. Barrington.*
“ William S. Bartlet.
“ John S. Beers.
“ George S. Bennitt.
“ *John A. Bevington.*
“ Nathan K. Bishop.
“ Harry I. Bodley.
“ *Levi Boyer.*
“ John C. Brooks.

The Rev. *Phillips Brooks*, D.D.

“ W. Henry Brooks, D.D.
“ *Abbott Brown.*
“ Percy Browne.
“ George H. Buck.
“ *John T. Burrill.*
“ *Eli H. Canfield, D.D.*
“ Hiram Carleton, D.D.
“ Nathan H. Chamberlain.
“ A. St. John Chambré, D.D.
“ Arthur W. Chapman.
“ William F. Cheney.
“ Jonas B. Clark.
“ Joseph H. Clinch, S.T.D.
“ George S. Converse.
“ Henry E. Cotton.
“ Frederick Courtney, S.T.D.
“ Jeremiah J. Cressey.
“ Louis De Cormis.
“ Malcolm Douglass, D.D.

The Rev. Edward L. Drown.

- " Charles W. Duffield.
- " George W. Durell.
- " Theodore Edson, D.D.
- " Samuel Edwards.
- " *Samuel M. Emery, D.D.*
- " Thomas F. Fales.
- " *H. Warren Fay.*
- " *Justin Field.*
- " P. Voorhees Finch.
- " Henry L. Foote.
- " James P. Franks.
- " *Frederick Freeman.*
- " Walter R. Gardner.
- " Albert E. George.
- " Benjamin R. Gifford.
- " *Francis Gilliat.*
- " *Edwin W. Gould.*
- " Charles C. Grafton.
- " Andrew Gray.
- " George Z. Gray, D.D.
- " *Lewis Green.*
- " John Gregson.
- " Edward M. Gushee.
- " Henry Hague.
- " Etienne T. Hamel.
- " Frank S. Harraden.
- " William R. Harris.
- " Charles A. Hayden.
- " Jesse E. Heald.
- " Samuel H. Hilliard.
- " James M. Hillyar.
- " Samuel Hodgkiss.
- " William R. Hooper.
- " *Nicholas Hoppin, D.D.*
- " Reginald H. Howe.
- " *Henry N. Hudson, LL.D.*
- " George P. Huntington.
- " W. R. Huntington, D.D.
- " Charles L. Hutchins.
- " Joseph Jenks.
- " John A. Jerome.
- " Alfred E. Johnson.
- " *Robert E. Jones.*
- " Reuben Kidner.
- " Thomas R. Lambert, D.D.
- " Arthur Lawrence.

The Rev. William Lawrence.

- " Charles H. Learoyd.
- " Joseph E. Lindholm.
- " John T. Magrath.
- " L. C. Manchester.
- " Francis Mansfield.
- " *William McGlathery.*
- " Henry A. Metcalf.
- " *Nathan W. Munroe.*
- " William H. Munroe.
- " Henry S. Nash.
- " William W. Newton.
- " *C. McL. Nicholson.*
- " T. W. Nickerson.
- " George E. Osgood.
- " Charles J. Palmer.
- " Leighton Parks.
- " J. Sturgis Pearce.
- " J. Milton Peck.
- " Joshua R. Peirce.
- " *George W. Porter, D.D.*
- " George J. Prescott.
- " Augustus Prime.
- " Charles A. Rand.
- " Edward A. Rand.
- " L. W. Saltonstall.
- " Frank A. Sanborn.
- " Benjamin S. Sanderson.
- " Sumner U. Shearman.
- " Henry J. Sheridan.
- " George W. Shinn.
- " Charles L. Short.
- " Edmund F. Slafter.
- " Emelius W. Smith.
- " Henry H. Smythe.
- " Samuel Snelling.
- " James F. Spalding.
- " Samuel S. Spear.
- " P. H. Steenstra, D.D.
- " L. C. Stewardson.
- " George A. Strong.
- " Leonard K. Storrs.
- " George Walker.
- " Alfred F. Washburn.
- " Charles L. Wells.
- " William G. Wells.
- " John C. Welwood.

The Rev. *J. E. Wilkinson.*
 “ *J. Frank Winkley.*

The Rev. *John Wright.*
 “ *Otis O. Wright.*

The following list comprises those who are entitled to seats, but not to votes : —

The Rev. *W. R. Babcock, D.D.*
 “ *Edward Benedict.*
 “ *Frank H. Bigelow.*
 “ *Belno A. Brown.*
 “ *Francis G. Burgess.*
 “ *Henry Burroughs, D.D.*
 “ *J. I. T. Coolidge, D.D.*
 “ *Francis A. Foxcroft.*
 “ *Arthur C. A. Hall.*
 “ *Daniel G. Haskins, S.T.D.*
 “ *Osgood E. Herrick.*
 “ *B. B. Killikelly.*
 “ *William F. Lhoyd.*
 “ *Frederic N. Luson.*
 “ *Edward W. Osborne.*

The Rev. *George S. Paine.*
 “ *Edmund B. Palmer.*
 “ *D. S. C. M. Potter.*
 “ *Charles H. Proctor.*
 “ *James A. Sanderson.*
 “ *Samuel R. Slack.*
 “ *Carlos Slafter.*
 “ *Orlando F. Starkey.*
 “ *Edward H. True.*
 “ *Julius H. Ward.*
 “ *John L. Watson, D.D.*
 “ *George R. Wheelock.*
 “ *Charles Wingate.*
 “ *William C. Winslow.*

The SECRETARY then called over the names of Parishes in union with the Convention.

The names of Lay Delegates not present during the session are printed in *Italics*.

ADAMS, ST. MARK'S.

Horace M. Holmes.
Nelson H. Bixby.
Emil Kipper.

AMESBURY, ST. JAMES'S.

Eugene C. Gilman.
Joseph Pitchforth.
John F. Pearson.

AMHERST, GRACE.

ANDOVER, CHRIST.

Horace H. Tyer.
William Marland.
George H. Poor.

ASHFIELD, ST. JOHN'S.

Moses Cook.
A. G. Hall.
A. D. Flower.

BEVERLY, ST. PETER'S.

Robert H. Bancroft.
Charles P. Trumbull.
John D. Lovett.

BOSTON, ADVENT.

George C. Shattuck, M.D.
Edward N. Perkins.
John P. Tarbell.

BOSTON (D.), ALL SAINTS'.

Henry M. Snell.
Daniel L. Weymouth.
Henry O. Nichols.

BOSTON, CHRIST.

BOSTON, EMMANUEL.

Samuel G. Snelling.
Franklin H. Story.
George P. Denny.

BOSTON, GOOD SHEPHERD.

E. R. Humphreys, LL.D.
J. D. Williams French.
Lewis H. Brown.

BOSTON, MESSIAH.

Causten Browne.
William Babson.
Henry M. Upham.

BOSTON (ROX.), ST. JAMES'S.

William Raymond Lee.

Atherton T. Brown.

Danforth C. Hodges.

BOSTON (CH'N), ST. JOHN'S.

George N. Fisher.

Samuel F. Summers.

Albert E. Warner.

BOSTON (HIGH'S), ST. JOHN'S.*Frank H. Beebe.**Charles V. Twiss.*

John MacConnell, M.D.

BOSTON (J.P.), ST. JOHN'S.

Frank W. Reynolds.

Thomas P. Proctor.

John M. Hagar.

BOSTON (EAST), ST. JOHN'S.

George H. Plummer.

*William W. Dwyer.**Samuel M. Neal.***BOSTON, ST. MARK'S.**

Charles T. Greely.

*James S. Burbank.**Henry C. Eddy.***BOSTON (BR.), ST. MARGARET'S.***John H. Sturgis.*

Charles P. Gardiner.

*John Howson.***BOSTON (DOR.), ST. MARY'S.**

Daniel Sharp.

Daniel B. Stedman, jun.

C. Ellery Stedman, M.D.

BOSTON, ST. MARY FOR SAILORS.*Richard L. Thomas.**Henry Cotton.***BOSTON (SO.), ST. MATTHEW'S.**

Henry W. Nelson.

John Morton Clinch.

Ira W. Hill.

BOSTON, ST. PAUL'S.

John S. Blatchford.

Henry A. Turner.

John Phillips Reynolds.

BOSTON, TRINITY.

Robert Treat Paine, jun.

John C. Ropes.

Benjamin F. Nourse.

BRIDGEWATER, TRINITY.

Joseph B. Fobes, M.D.

John W. Burt.

*Charles G. Beebe.***BROOKLINE, ST. PAUL'S.***Henry S. Chase.*

Thomas Parsons.

*Mortimer C. Ferris.***CAMBRIDGE, CHRIST.**

Samuel Batchelder.

Francis C. Foster.

*George L. Foote.***CAMBRIDGE, ST. JAMES'S.**

Luke H. Whitney.

Charles F. Conant.

Albert S. Pillsbury.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. PETER'S.

Edward R. Cogswell.

William W. Dallinger.

*James A. Fox.***CHELSEA, ST. LUKE'S.**

Gilbert M. Golding.

W. R. Chipman, M.D.

T. J. Morrison.

CLINTON, GOOD SHEPHERD*George W. Bascom.*

Henry N. Bigelow.

*Charles A. Vickery.***DANVERS, CALVARY.**

Benjamin R. Tibbetts.

*John R. Fuller.**Alvin P. Knapp.***DEDHAM (OAKDALE), GOOD SHEPHERD.***Ephraim L. Frothingham, jun**William B. Welch.*

John Smith.

DEDHAM, ST. PAUL'S.

Ira Cleveland.

*Thomas L. Wakefield.**Erastus Worthington.***EASTHAMPTON, ST. PHILIP****FALL RIVER, ASCENSION.**

Walter C. Durfee.

Borden Chase.

Charles Parker.

FISKDALE, GRACE.

John H. Greenwood.
Chauncy C. Burlingame.

FITCHBURG, CHRIST.

Dennis Fay.
Albert B. Haskell.

Frederick A. Currier.

FRAMINGHAM, ST. JOHN'S.

Arthur C. Blanchard.
William Edjar.
Charles P. Lyman.

GLOUCESTER, ST. JOHN'S.

John H. Stacy.
William Babson.
George Grier.

G. BARRINGTON, ST. JAMES'S.

Justin Dewey.
M. Ludlow Whitlock.
Henry T. Robbins.

GREENFIELD, ST. JAMES'S.

James S. Grinnell.
Chester C. Conant.
Frederick L. Green.

HANOVER, ST. ANDREW'S.

Lemuel C. Waterman.
Horatio Bigelow.
Lloyd Briggs.

HAVERHILL, TRINITY.

William B. Kimball.
Thomas Sanders.
Edward F. Adams.

HOLYOKE, ST. PAUL'S.

Elias P. Ford.
Allen Higginbottom.
William Grover.

HOPKINTON, ST. PAUL'S.

William Kennedy.
James F. Braithwaite.

HYDE PARK, CHRIST.

Henry Hyde Smith.
Charles C. Hayes, M.D.
Edward M. Whittemore.

IPSWICH, ASCENSION.

Joseph W. Wood.
George L. Tilton.
William J. Ratsey.

LANESBOROUGH, ST. LUKE'S.**LAWRENCE, GRACE.**

Charles G. Saunders.
Henry M. Whitney.
Warren Durant.

LAWRENCE, ST. JOHN'S.

Nathaniel P. H. Melvin.
James Walton.
Charles E. Hardy.

LEE, ST. GEORGE'S.

Lucius Crocker.
Daniel R. Hill.

LENOX, TRINITY.**LINCOLN, ST. ANNE'S.**

George G. Cheney.
Frank W. Bigelow.
Charles E. Smith.

LONGWOOD, OUR SAVIOUR.

Samuel L. Bush.
William L. Chase.
Thomas P. Ritchie.

LOWELL, ST. ANNE'S.

John M. Pevey.
Amos A. Blanchard.
Oliver E. Cushing.

LOWELL, ST. JOHN'S.

Francis A. Warner.
Henry P. Webber.
Albert G. Swan.

LYNN, ST. STEPHEN'S.

Edward S. Davis.
John A. McArthur.
William H. Berry.

MALDEN, ST. PAUL'S.

George C. Tate.
Robert H. Waters.
G. R. Durand.

MARBLEHEAD, ST. MICHAEL'S.

William B. Hawkesworth.
Frederick Coffin.
George Chase.

MEDFORD, GRACE.

Frederick M. Tilden.
William I. Parker.
John B. Folger.

MELROSE, TRINITY.*J. Harrison Ward.**Royal P. Barry.**William H. Allen.***MILFORD, TRINITY.***James I. C. Cook.**George G. Parker.**Charles Dove.***MILLVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.***William A. Cole.**Frank J. King, M.D.**Henry S. Mansfield.***NANTUCKET, ST. PAUL'S.***Charles H. Starbuck.**Arthur E. Jenks.***NATICK, ST. PAUL'S.***F. E. Cummings.**H. N. Wakeman.***NEW BEDFORD, GRACE.***Charles B. H. Fessenden.**Benjamin T. Cummings.**Frederick C. S. Bartlett.***NEWBURYPORT, ST. PAUL'S.****NEWTON LOWER FALLS, ST. MARY'S.***John Pulcifer.**Francis Mills.**Charles M. Sawyer.***NEWTON, GRACE.***Edwin F. Waters.**William S. Gardner.**Francis J. Parker.***NEWTON (WEST) AND AUBURNDALE, MESSIAH.***George B. Knapp.**Walter C. Ware.**C. Willard Carter.***N. ATTLEBOROUGH, GRACE.***Otis Stanley.**Thomas Scofield.**Samuel Totten.***NORTH ADAMS, ST. JOHN'S.***Charles H. Read.**George Hopkins.**William A. Gallup.***NORTHAMPTON, ST. JOHN***William C. Robinson.**David W. Crafts.**William W. Lee.***OXFORD, GRACE.***Emory E. Harwood.**Leonard E. Thayer.**Frank Howarth.***PITTSFIELD, ST. STEPHEN***W. E. Vermilye, M.D.**Frank E. Kernochan.**Morris Scharp.***PLYMOUTH, CHRIST.****QUINCY, CHRIST.***William Amory, jun.**Peter Butler.***ROCHDALE, CHRIST.***Wilfred G. Brown.**James Hanop.**James E. Boardman.***SALEM, GRACE.***Benjamin Shreve.**Daniel B. Hagar, Ph.D.**John E. Peabody.***SALEM, ST. PETER'S.***George R. Curwen.**E. Frank Balch.**T. Lyman Perkins.***SHEFFIELD, CHRIST.****SOMERVILLE, EMMANUEL.***Robert H. Gibby.**Philip Highley.**Charles H. Bradshaw.***SOMERVILLE (E.), ST. THOMAS***Douglas Frazar.**George Vincent.**Thomas M. Durell.***S. GROVELAND, ST. JAMES***Charles A. Shaw.**David Mackie, jun.***SOUTHBOROUGH, ST. MARK***Joseph Burnett.**Leander W. Newton.**Edward C. Choate.***SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST.***John B. Stebbins.**James D. Brewer.**Daniel P. Crocker.*

**STOCKBRIDGE, ST. PAUL'S.
SWANSEA, CHRIST.**

Frank S. Stevens.

William H. Pearse.

TAUNTON, ST. THOMAS'S.

William C. Lovering.

Edmund H. Bennett, LL.D.

William H. Bent.

TAUNTON, ST. JOHN'S.

Henry Nickolds.

Jason H. Hayward.

George E. Chambers.

VAN DEUSENVILLE, TRINITY.

Perry G. Comstock.

William I. Van Deusen.

WAKEFIELD, EMMANUEL.

WALTHAM, CHRIST.

Ham L. Hovey.

Moses E. Osgood.

William H. Craven.

WEBSTER, RECONCILIATION.

James H. Howe.

Amos Bartlett.

James Francis.

WESTFIELD, ATONEMENT.

M. J. Gillette.

George H. Prescott.

WEYMOUTH, TRINITY.

Edward Avery.

Charles A. Chessman.

Samuel W. Reed.

WILKINSONVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

Nehemiah B. Chase.

Albert E. Whiton.

Gardner H. Dodge.

WOBURN, TRINITY.

James Folsom.

Charles W. Davis, jun.

Edward Pearson.

WOOD'S HOLL, MESSIAH.

Joseph S. Fay.

Ezekiel E. Swift.

Charles E. Hatch.

WORCESTER, ALL SAINTS'.

Francis H. Dewey.

Edward L. Davis.

John D. Washburn.

WRENTHAM, TRINITY.

John Pendergast.

James E. Pollard.

George F. Barnes.

The BISHOP then announced the following persons as the Committee on Qualifications : —

The Rev. GEORGE S. BENNITT.

" " P. VOORHEES FINCH.

" " JEREMIAH J. CRESSEY.

The lists of Clergymen and the certificates of Lay Delegates were handed to this Committee.

The Convention then took a recess to attend Divine Services in Trinity Church.

Morning Prayer to the First Lesson was read by the Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, the First Lesson by the Rev. HARRY I. BODLEY, the Second Lesson by the Rev. FRANK S. HARRADEN; the Nicene Creed, Prayers, and Litany, by the Rev. J. MILTON PECK; the Hymns and Notices were announced by the Rev. FREDERIC B. ALLEN; the Ante-Communion Service to the Gospel, by the Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS; the BISHOP reading the Gospel. The Ser-

mon was preached by the Rev. PERCY BROWNE, from the text, Ps. cxvi. 9: "*I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.*" The Offertory Sentences, and Prayer for the Church Militant, by the Rev. Dean G. Z. GRAY, D.D.; the Exhortation, Confession, etc., were read by the Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D. The Absolution was pronounced by the BISHOP, who then proceeded to the Prayer of Consecration; and, after singing the two hundred and tenth hymn, the Holy Communion was administered to the Clergy, and to a large number of the Laity, by the BISHOP, assisted in the distribution of the elements by the Rev. Dr. LAMBERT, Dean GRAY, and the Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS. The Post-Communion was read by the BISHOP; the offerings were collected by the Revs. SAMUEL SNELLING, CHARLES L. WELLS, BENJAMIN S. SANDERSON, and JULIUS W. ATWOOD, Deacons.

At the conclusion of Divine Service, the Convention returned to the Chapel for the despatch of business, and was called to order by the BISHOP.

The Rev. GEORGE S. BENNITT, from the Committee on Qualifications, presented the following Report:—

The Committee on Qualifications to the Ninety-third Convention would respectfully report,—

That they have examined the list of the clerical members, and find it correct.

They would also report that they have examined the certificates of lay delegates, and have found them correct with the exception of the following:—

Church of Our Saviour, Longwood, gives the name of a substitute.

St. Paul's, Stockbridge, notifies the Convention that "the Annual Parish Meeting was adjourned, subject to the call of the Senior Warden, without an election of Officers for the ensuing year being had; consequently the Delegates are the same as last year."

Respectfully submitted by the committee.

GEORGE S. BENNITT.
P. VOORHEES FINCH.
J. J. CRESSEY.

The Report was accepted.

The SECRETARY then called the roll of the Clergy and Lay Delegates.

A quorum being found to be present, the BISHOP declared the Convention open for business.

The first business in order being the election of a Secretary,

On motion of GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.,—

Resolved, That in the election of a Secretary, balloting be dispensed with.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., be re-elected.

The SECRETARY asked permission of the House to appoint the Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., Assistant Secretary.

The request was, on motion, granted.

ROBERT TREAT PAINE, Jun., made a statement on behalf of the Committee on Hospitality, inviting the clerical members to dine during the Session at the Brunswick.

The Rev. G. S. BENNITT, from the Committee on Qualifications, reported that the Certificate from the Church of Our Saviour, Longwood, had been amended, and is now in due form.

On motion of GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., —

Resolved, That the reading of the Rules of Order be dispensed with.

The BISHOP then announced the following Standing Committees: —

<i>On Admission of New Parishes,</i>	{	The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER.
		" BENJAMIN R. GIFFORD.
		" WALTER R. GARDNER.
		GEORGE G. PARKER.
		WILLIAM H. BERRY.
<i>On Constitution and Canons</i>	{	The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.
		" MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
		" EDWARD M. GUSHEE.
		EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.
		CHESTER C. CONANT.
<i>Executive Committee</i>	{	The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.
		" CHARLES J. PALMER.
		WILLIAM HENRY BENT.
<i>On Finance</i>	{	The Rev. CHARLES W. DUFFIELD.
		HENRY N. BIGELOW.
		JOHN MORTON CLINCH.
<i>On Unfinished Business</i>	{	The Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE.
		GEORGE C. TATE.
		H. M. WAKEMAN.

The Rev. HENRY HAGUE presented a petition for the admission of St. Matthew's Church, Worcester, into union with the Convention.

The papers were handed in, and given to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

Resolved, That this Convention now take a recess till 3 o'clock P.M.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Rev. Dr. BROOKS offered the following resolution : —

That clergymen belonging to other dioceses, candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, former members of this Convention, all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present at its sittings, and the church-wardens and vestrymen of Trinity Church, Boston, and Mr. R. Graham, general secretary of the Church Temperance Society, be invited to honorary seats in this body ;

which, on motion, was adopted.

The following appeared and took seats under the above resolution : —

The Rev. MONTGOMERY H. THROOP, Jun.	. . . . .	<i>Diocese of Albany.</i>
" BENJAMIN JUDKINS	. . . . .	" <i>Conn.</i>

The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, from the Committee on Admission of New Parishes, made the following Report : —

The Committee on the admission of New Parishes, having examined the papers submitted by St. Matthew's Church, Worcester, and having found them correct, recommend the admission of said Parish into union with this Convention.

REUBEN KIDNER.
W. R. GARDNER.
GEORGE G. PARKER.
WILLIAM H. BERRY.
BENJAMIN R. GIFFORD.

The SECRETARY called the names of the Lay Delegates from this parish as follows, who appeared, and took their seats : —

MATTHEW J. WHITTAL.
JAMES CUNNINGHAM.
HENRY L. PARKER.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, from the Standing Committee of the Diocese, made the Annual Report of that Body.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee present the following report for the conventional year : —

The Committee was duly organized on the sixth day of June, 1882, by the choice of the Rev. Thomas R. Lambert, D.D., as President, and the Rev. George S. Converse as Secretary.

Eleven meetings have been held.

The Committee have signed the canonical testimonials of George Franklin Smythe, Carlton P. Mills, Langdon Lauriston Ward, Henry Wood, John B. Blanchet, and George Alexander Strong, recommending them to be admitted candidates for Holy Orders.

They have signed the canonical testimonials of Charles Morris Addison, Julius W. Atwood, Charles W. K. Morrill, Samuel Snelling, Charles Luke Wells, Melville K. Bailey, Charles J. Mason, and Joseph A. Ticknor, recommending them to be admitted to the Order of Deacons.

They have signed the canonical testimonials of the Revs. Charles Morris Addison, Julius Walker Atwood, Benjamin Smith Sanderson, Samuel Snelling, and Charles Luke Wells, *Deacons*, recommending them for ordination to the Priesthood.

They have signed the canonical testimonials of the Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, D.D., Assistant Bishop-elect of Mississippi.

The Committee have concurred in a recommendation of the Right Reverend the Bishop of the Diocese, that the travelling expenses of the Examining Chaplains shall be paid; and they have appropriated \$5.58 in payment of such expenses incurred by the Rev. Alfred Evan Johnson.

They have approved the Articles of Association and the Constitution and By-Laws of St. Matthew's Church, Worcester, and the Church of the Atone-ment, Westfield; and they have given their "advice and consent" to the removal of Trinity Church, Bridgewater, to a lot one mile nearer the centre of population.

Respectfully submitted for the Standing Committee,

GEORGE S. CONVERSE,

Secretary.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS, from the Eastern Convocation, made the following Report: —

EASTERN CONVOCATION.

The Eastern Convocation respectfully reports as follows: —

Meetings have been held in Christ Church, Cambridge; Grace Church, Newton; St. Thomas's, Somerville; and St. John's Church, Lawrence.

The meeting at Grace Church, Newton, marking its two-hundredth gathering, was made an occasion of especial interest, and was attended by nearly sixty of the Clergy. Its many services and addresses freshened our recollection of the work accomplished in the past, and showed also that Convocation forgets not to-day its great power for good in the various channels through which its influence may be exerted. The Memorial Sermon, with a Historical Sketch of Convocation, and an account of the anniversary services, was printed and widely circulated.

At the annual meeting the Constitution and By-Laws of the Convocation, as reviewed by a special Committee, were adopted.

The following officers were elected: —

Dean, the Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D.; *Vice-Dean*, the Rev. E. L. DROWN; *Secretary*, the Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS; *Treasurer*, the Rev. N. K. BISHOP; *Members of the Board of Missions to represent the Convocation*, the Rev. E. L. DROWN, Mr. CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

The Treasurer's Report shows \$126.66 received, and a balance of \$33.26, which has been paid to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions.

WILLIAM G. WELLS, *Secretary.*

LAWRENCE, April 24, 1883.

The Rev. ARTHUR M. BACKUS, from the Southern Convocation, offered the following Report: —

SOUTHERN CONVOCAATION.

The Secretary of the Southern Convocation respectfully reports as follows: —

Meetings have been held in December, January, and April, at Emmanuel Church, Boston; St. Mark's Church, Boston; and at St. Paul's Church, Dedham.

These meetings have indicated an increased concern for the prosperity and usefulness of the Convocation; and the hope is strongly felt by its members, that it will be made, practically as well as theoretically, an organization for the aid and encouragement of missionary enterprises.

Essays and topics for discussion have been presented at different sessions, on Free Churches, Elements in Preaching, Church Doctrine, and kindred subjects, which were instructive and interesting.

At the annual meeting the following officers were elected: —

Dean, the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD; *Secretary and Treasurer*, the Rev. ARTHUR M. BACKUS; *Members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation*, *Clerical*, the Rev. A. St. J. CHAMBRÉ, D.D., *Lay*, Mr. J. D. W. FRENCH.

ARTHUR M. BACKUS,

Secretary.

DEDHAM, April 24, 1883.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, from the Western Convocation, made the following Report: —

THE REPORT OF THE WESTERN CONVOCAATION OF THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR OF 1882-83.

Two meetings have been held by the Convocation during the year, — one at St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield, Oct. 11, 1882; and another at Christ Church, Springfield, Jan. 16, 1883. At the first meeting the following officers were elected: *Dean*, Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE; *Secretary*, Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS; *Treasurer*, Rev. CHARLES J. PALMER; *Representatives of the Convocation on the Diocesan Board of Missions*, Dr. W. E. VERMILYE and the Secretary. This meeting was marked by very strong manifestations of interest, from all the clergy present, in the missionary work being done in the western part of the Diocese; and a vote was passed, offering to the General Missionary of the Board the services of each member present, to be used by him in any way that he should desire, as often as once a month.

At the second meeting the Central Convocation met with the Western, by invitation, in order that the two organizations might consider the possibility and advisability of the holding of joint meetings in the future; the Central Convocation at their last meeting having suggested such a plan. After a general discussion, the Western Convocation expressed their desire that there be two joint meetings held during each year, one within the limits of each Con-

vocation, and these not to interfere with the continued existence of the separate organizations or their holding of separate meetings also. This, if it meets with the approval of the Central Convocation, will be carried out the coming year; and it is felt, from the experience of the one joint meeting held together this year, that it will be a great benefit, both spiritually and intellectually, to both organizations.

JOHN C. BROOKS,
Secretary.

The Rev. ERIENNE T. HAMEL, from the Central Convocation, read the following Report: —

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL CONVOCATION.

This Convocation has held two meetings during the past year, — one at Fitchburg, where it enjoyed the presence of the Right Rev. Bishop of the Diocese, who presided; and one at Webster.

Owing to the removal of the Rev. Dr. Coolidge from the limits of the Convocation, the office of Dean is vacant.

GEORGE STURGIS PAINE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

WORCESTER, April 25, 1883.

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, from the Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Convention, on the Qualification of Clergymen for voting in Convention, made the following Report: —

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE CLERGY FOR VOTING IN CONVENTION.

The Committee re-appointed at the last session to consider the subject of the Qualifications of the Clergy for voting in Convention, would respectfully report that they find themselves constrained, by the same considerations which influenced them a year ago, once more to recommend the amendment of our present constitutional law. Nor do they feel that in so doing they are in any wise setting themselves in opposition to the declared sentiment of the Convention, as expressed last year. For at that time, although the measure proposed by the Committee failed of securing a passage through non-concurrence of the two orders, nevertheless the record shows a decided majority of the votes of the entire body to have been cast in its favor; and the immediate re-appointment of the same Committee would hardly argue disapprobation of the plan they had proposed.

For the two successive years preceding the present session, the Bishop of the Diocese has called the attention of the Convention to the need which in his judgment exists for some amendment in our constitutional law. He has asked, but thus far in vain, for legislation which would relieve him from the difficulty of having to choose between a strict interpretation of the language of the Constitution, thereby excluding from the franchise good and true men,

in accordance with the letter of the law, but contrary to its presumed spirit and intention, and the alternative of an over-liberal construction which, though based on a regard for equity, would establish a dangerous precedent for the time to come. The executive officer who is called upon to administer a statute is the one most certain to detect any ambiguity in its language. That such ambiguity does exist in our own law, is evident from the course of events in our diocesan legislation during the past few years. How otherwise could it have happened that several clergymen in one year, under a liberal construction, were admitted to a vote without question from any quarter; while in the following year, under the same law, although their status remained unchanged, the franchise was withdrawn from them, equally without protest; or that a clergyman whose title to a vote was recognized by the action of the Convention itself in one year, should the next have been disfranchised, with no effort in his favor? Still another illustration may be cited as to the ambiguity of our present law. Last year for the first time the Diocesan Board had under its direction an Itinerant Missionary whose labors were confined to no one parochial field, but extended over the entire Diocese, with the happiest results. Not for a moment would any one have thought of questioning that earnest and untiring worker's right to a vote in the Convention; yet the Committee cannot see how, under the strict construction of our law which has been applied to others, he has a legal right to the same, in accordance with any of the provisions of Article 2.

But, to go deeper beneath the surface, may it not be that such ambiguities are indicative of some fundamental inconsistency in the law as it now stands? What is the Convention of the Diocese? Such a body *may* be regarded, as it has been by some, as purely representative, the result of the agreement of the several incorporated parishes to come together for mutual counsel through their Rectors or ministers and their lay delegates, under the presidency of the Bishop. Such seems to have been the idea of our constitutional law at the outset, as early as 1790. But in 1817 a change was introduced, looking in the direction of somewhat greater liberality; and subsequent legislation, while avoiding the recognition of the inherent right of the clergy to vote simply in virtue of their office, has tended towards the comprehension of various classes of clergymen not settled over incorporated parishes (e. g., Army and Navy Chaplains, and Professors in Colleges and Schools), and even in one case, viz., that of agents of societies of the general Church, having no actual duty whatever within the limits of the Diocese. The tendency of legislation has been for many years towards particularizing the classes who should be admitted to the franchise; but just where to draw the line between voters and non-voters has always been, of necessity, a delicate question. As long as the idea of a mere compact between parishes has been clearly abandoned, some other basis must be sought. There is very much in our present law pointing towards the recognition of all clergymen who are fairly at work under due sanction from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, as in equity entitled to a vote in the Convention; but this principle has not been carried out fully in the provisions of our Constitution, and hence the difficulty of interpretation and adjustment which has so often and so forcibly made itself felt.

The Committee's scheme is the result of an effort to embody consistently, logically, and as fully as practicable, the idea which has had so great an influence already in shaping our law. They would urge again, as they did a year

ago, the injustice of disfranchising a clergyman because, after months of continued service, he happens to be without a cure at the time the Convention meets, or because, while his labors are performed under full sanction from the Ecclesiastical Authority, his parish is not in union with the Convention; and they would plead the cause of so many of the so-called unemployed clergy as have not suffered their office to fall into abeyance, but have continued really at work, though not settled over any single cure.

In order to meet certain objections which were urged last year, the amendment then presented has been modified in some of its features. The term of three months' canonical residence prescribed by our present Constitution, as precedent to the title to a vote, instead of six months, as proposed in the report last year, has been deemed sufficient, while at the same time actual work during that period has been made a requisite. A clause has been inserted to show more clearly that the judgment of the Ecclesiastical Authority under the provisions of paragraph (b) must be subject to the final decision of the Convention. Finally, the title to vote of the unemployed clergy who have done service for thirty years has been explicitly recognized in this report. But the substance and underlying principle of the amendment remain unchanged. In offering it for consideration the Committee would respectfully urge, that, if only a part of the proposed amendment should meet with general approval, it may be adopted on its own merits, independently of the rest; and further, that, if possible, arrangements be made to take the final vote at a time when both orders shall be fully represented, so that the sense of the Convention may be fairly tested, whether acceptance or rejection shall await the Committee's scheme.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT.

Resolved, That Article II., Sect. 2, of the Constitution, be so amended as to read as follows:—

ARTICLE II.

1 SECT. 2. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop shall each have a seat
2 and vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall
3 be entitled to a seat and vote in the Convention, provided

4 (a), That he has been canonically resident for at least three months
5 next preceding the session of the Convention, and has been during that
6 period regularly and canonically engaged in the discharge of the duties
7 of his office, either as Rector, Minister-in-charge, Assistant Minister, or
8 Missionary of some Parish, Church, or Mission of this Diocese, or as
9 Head, Chaplain, or Teacher in some incorporated Institution of learn-
10 ing, benevolence, or discipline, within the limits of the same, and per-
11 forming clerical functions, or as Chaplain of the Army or Navy of
12 the United States, performing duty within this Diocese, or as an officer
13 of the Convention, or as Registrar of the Diocese, or as an agent of
14 the Board of Missions, or as holding some appointment under the
15 institutions of the General Church of the United States;

16 Or (b), That having been canonically resident for the entire year
17 preceding the session of the Convention, he shall, not less than three
18 weeks prior to said session, have submitted to the Ecclesiastical Au-

19 thority, in writing, (subject to the final judgment of the Convention
20 according to Sec. 4 of this Article,) reasonable and sufficient evidence
21 that, during the greater part of the year, he has been actually engaged
22 within this Diocese, in the performance of the functions pertaining to
23 his sacred office, or that, by reason of age, ill health, or other like in-
24 firmity, he has been unable to discharge the same, or that he has
25 during an aggregate of thirty years, performed some one or more of
26 the duties above described. And all other Clergymen, canonically
27 resident in this Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of mem-
28 bership of this Convention, except the right to vote.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON,
GEORGE S. CONVERSE,
SUMNER U. SHEARMAN,
EDWARD L. DAVIS,
EDMUND H. BENNETT.

On motion of the Rev. A. E. JOHNSON, —

Resolved, That the foregoing Report be made the order of the day for to-
morrow at 10 o'clock.

The BISHOP then delivered his Annual Address.

Bishop Paddock's Address.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY,

AFTER another year of peace and of some solid growth in the Diocese, through the great goodness of the Divine Head of the Church, we meet again in our Annual Convention. We are all the happier because we lack any great conflicts, or "burning questions," to draw us together. No Pastor has left his sheep, either in the wilderness or in green pastures, to come down to "see the battle;" and none will, in such ways, justify any brother in saying, "I know thy pride and the naughtiness of thine heart." No battle is set in array in this Diocesan Church; but God help us all to be ever "provoking one another to love and good works."

Since last we met in council, we have lost but one man out of our now considerable host of one hundred and sixty-eight clergymen. I wonder at it; for not a few of our noble band are veterans, and some others are providentially disabled from regular and full official duty, or even from any ministerial work. But the loss which we have met with is a great one. Daniel Goodwin Anderson, the Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington, was a strong, brave, noble soldier of the cross. He was once an honored soldier and officer in the army of his country, when, twenty years ago, she summoned the noblest youth of the North to her standard; and this grand, honest, fearless man never ceased to be a soldier, when afterwards he enlisted in the service of the King of Kings. Full of religious faith and courage, unyielding in convictions and established principles, of marked intellectual vigor and sobriety, warm and true in his affections, this godly man soon brought his Parish into order, harmony, and efficiency. Had he been in the Eastern portion of the Diocese, where Churches and Clergy are more numerous, I am sure he would have been conspicuous among us. When he lay ill, as we sat in this Council a year ago, the prayers

of all good people in Barrington were being lifted up for him; when he was taken forth for burial, all bells were tolled, all hearts were the lonelier, and many eyes unaccustomed to tears were moistened. Ah! life is worth the living, if our unselfish service enriches and blesses so many human hearts.

The Mother Church has met with a great loss in the death of the wise, devout, just, and — in his sphere — truly great Archbishop of Canterbury. In God's providence he had become more closely than any former Primate interested, and one might almost say identified, with the American Episcopate and Church. Whether Churchmen study his public career as a Bishop, full of grace and power, as he wrought unheard-of successes in his Diocese of London; or as the Primate of all England, wisely and righteously ruling a great national Church in intenser days than any since the Reformation; or as only the saintly head of that household where Catharine and Crauford Tait glorified God in the fires, — all will bless God for the good example.

We, too, have lost a Bishop hardly less known in England than among ourselves, — the late Bishop of Indiana. Bishop Talbot was a man of great enthusiasm and labors, and of warm affections. Sober and strong in his churchly convictions, cheerful and hopeful in his outlook, ready and eloquent in the pulpit, wise and fair-minded in council, a very "master of assemblies" in parliamentary knowledge and skill, he filled a large and honored place in his day and generation. His Diocese is generally counted a peculiarly difficult and unremunerative field, I know not precisely why; but his work there was doubtless of the same skill and energy as that which distinguished him as "Missionary Bishop of the North-West."

Another great figure has dropped out of its place in this Church. Not a Bishop, but a Father of Bishops and of Missionaries and of Churches, was that extraordinary man, Dr. Twing. I do not detain you with an analysis of the character of this our Great-Heart and Great-Faith; for everybody knows both his character and his marvellous leadership in multiplying many-fold the missionary convictions, aspirations, and achievements of this Church. May the great Head of the Church raise up successors who shall be like-minded!

Among our more earnest and devout laity losses occur, year

by year, which often impress me deeply, sometimes very sadly ; but, as you already know, I do not deem it wise, in so large a Diocese, to write up the roll of the honored dead for public rehearsal at each Convention. Their record is on high.

It is time to pass on to a brief notice of the general condition of the Diocese. So far as I can judge, the spiritual condition of the Church is not below what it generally has been ; alas that it is not much above our unworthy habit ! There are signs of deepening life in multiplied Services and generally increasing Confirmations, and more frequent Celebrations of the Holy Communion : but Services and Celebrations are but uncertain tokens of a Church's spiritual growth, unless they are attended by increasing numbers, and are producing holiness of life, not merely dependence upon observances ; and of course the Confirmation of a large number *might* mean something besides the increase of personal piety. Still, in general, these are valuable tokens. But let us pray the good Lord to let us see more single and whole hearted devotion to Christ, and love for souls, on the part of our Ministry ; more self-mastery, and turning aside from all worldly cares and studies ; more brave and strong devotion to the Faith once delivered, in the midst of the prevailing fashion of rationalism, self-conceit in religion, or indifferentism. And may He grant to our lay brethren less of the spirit of lawless self-will, both in respect of doctrine and discipline ; less criticism and fault-finding ; more devotion of time and labor and money to Christ ; better conscience in the more prompt, honorable, and sufficient support of Christ's Ministry ; and more giving according to ability for the increase and establishment of the Kingdom of God everywhere.

I turn to that statement of my official work which is my canonical duty.

Since we last met in Convention I have made 149 official Visitations, and have been officially present also at 41 other Services, like Ordinations, Convocations, and Consecrations, making 190 public ministrations. The often laborious work of Examinations, Trustee and Committee Meetings, etc., has occupied me on 75 different occasions. These official engagements, if distributed evenly over all the days of the year save those in July and August (my only days of rest), would give an average only a little less than one public official duty for every day of the long period. The

299 Sermons and Addresses and Catechisings would, if distributed, show almost one public utterance for every day of my working year. One might almost wish that he could be heard for his much speaking. At 120 different Services (public or private) I have confirmed 1,055 persons; the Churches to which they belonged, and the number for each, I give below :—

Good Shepherd, Boston (Two Visitations)	17	Trinity, Lenox	6
Grace, Newton	13	St. Paul's, Otis	3
Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale (Two Visitations)	15	St. James's, Great Barrington	3
Grace, Lawrence	29	Trinity, Van Deusenville	3
St. Paul's, North Andover	13	—, Holliston	1
St. John's, Lawrence	19	Trinity, Milford	5
Mission, Concord	1	Christ, Medway	3
Christ, Springfield	19	St. John's, Arlington (Two Visitations)	15
St. Paul's, Holyoke	7	Good Shepherd, Clinton	6
St. John's, Northampton	7	St. James's, New Bedford	7
Grace, Amherst	4	Grace, North Attleborough	4
St. James's, Greenfield	9	House of Prayer, Cherry Valley	2
St. Paul's, Malden (Two Visitations)	9	St. Luke's, Linden	18
Trinity, Weymouth	7	St. Michael's, Marblehead	4
Good Shepherd, Brockton	3	All Saints, Dorchester	10
St. John's, Millville	4	Ascension, Fall River	19
St. John's, Wilkinsonville	1	St. John's, Fall River	9
Mission, Millbury	2	Grace, New Bedford	11
Grace, Fiskdale	8	Christ, Cambridge	14
Messiah, Wood's Holl	3	Advent, Boston (Two Visitations),	36
—, East Sandwich	5	St. Anne's, Chelmsford	2
St. Paul's, Peabody	5	St. John the Evangelist's, Hingham (Two Visitations)	5
Calvary, Danvers	5	St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston	3
St. Paul's, Stockbridge (Two Visitations)	6	Church Home, South Boston	7
St. John's, Williamstown	1	Christ, Hyde Park	9
—, Tyngham	1	Trinity, Woburn	13
St. George's, Lee	6	Grace, South Boston	11
Ascension, Ipswich	5	Good Samaritan House, Boston	2
—, Athol	2	St. Margaret's, Brighton	6
—, Shelburne Falls (Two Visitations)	4	St. Anne's, Boston	12
St. John's, North Adams	10	Good Shepherd, Dedham	3
St. Luke's, Lanesborough	1	St. Paul's, Dedham	5
St. Mark's, Adams	3	St. Mary's, Dorchester	5
St. Stephen's, Pittsfield	20	House of Prayer, Lowell	5
		St. Anne's, Lowell	25
		St. John's, Lowell	14
		St. Peter's, Beverly	3

St. Stephen's, Lynn	11	Ascension, Waltham	5
St. James's, Cambridge	8	St. John's, Charlestown	21
Ascension, Cambridge	2	Christ, Boston	23
Reconciliation, Webster	6	Grace, Medford	5
St. Matthew's, Worcester	10	Christ, Plymouth	3
All Saints', Worcester	27	Messiah, Boston	32
Trinity, Melrose	3	St. Thomas's, Taunton	10
St. John's, Jamaica Plain	20	St. John's, Taunton	9
Grace, Salem	7	Trinity, Boston	26
St. Luke's, Chelsea	15	St. Peter's, Cambridge	12
St. James's, West Somerville	2	St. Thomas's, Methuen	8
St. John's Memorial, Cambridge	2	Christ, Andover	3
St. Matthew's, South Boston	19	St. James's, South Groveland	2
St. Paul's, Brookline	10	St. John the Evangelist's, Haver-	
Emmanuel, Somerville	3	hill	8
St. Thomas's, Somerville	14	Trinity, Haverhill	3
The Saviour, Longwood	6	St. Mark's, Southborough	8
The Evangelists', Boston	6	St. John's, Framingham	6
Emmanuel, Boston	19	Mission, Gardner	2
St. Mark's, Boston	9	Christ, Fitchburg	7
St. Paul's, Boston	15	St. John's, Boston Highlands	15
St. James's, Roxbury	17	Emmanuel, Wakefield	1
St. James's, Amesbury	8	St. Luke's Home for Convaless-	
St. John's, Gloucester	6	cents	2
Christ, Waltham	9		

The Journal of my other official acts, with such lists as are called for by the canons, or may be useful, I append to this Address; but shall not weary you by its recital. Any portion of it, however, may be called for. I epitomize from it as follows:—

Confirmations—(number of Administrations)	120
Confirmations—(number confirmed)	1,055
Celebrations of the Holy Communion	43
Sermons preached	149
Addresses delivered	133
Catechisings and Sunday-School Addresses	17
Public Services (not recorded above)	41
Examinations, Trustee and Committee Meetings, etc.	75
Burial	1
Marriage	1
Lay Readers licensed (from Advent to Advent)	46
Candidates for Priest's Orders (admitted or received, 6; transferred, 1), present number	29
Ordinations (Deacons, 6; Priests, 4)	10
Clergymen deceased	1
Clergymen received	13

Clergymen transferred	12
Clergymen, present number (Bishop, 1; Priests, 157; Deacons, 10), .	168
Churches or Chapels in building	6
Churches consecrated	7
Churches or Chapels opened without Consecration	4
Bishop-elect, consent given	1

I think that the Diocese is fairly entitled to cheer and encouragement from the steady tokens of advance nearly, if not quite, "all along the line." Whether I glean up the notices of debts reduced, improvements made, or Churches, Chapels, or Rectories built, the word is cheering. We are a great way off from a disintegrating or decaying Church, and are far better than stationary. In Christ Church, Springfield, a noble effort, aided by the sale of the old Church property, has realized \$30,000 towards the extinction of the great debt, and has the remaining \$13,000 provided for: so that, God be praised, the Parish is free. St. Matthew's, Boston, under all the disadvantages of a beloved Rector's absence through long illness, has wiped out its remaining indebtedness of about \$2,500. Christ Church, Waltham, again reduces its debt on its beautiful Rectory by the payment of \$700, leaving only \$800 remaining for entire freedom. Grace Church, New Bedford, through the pious remembrance of a departed member, has placed in its tower a chime of ten bells, costing \$5,000. St. John's, Arlington, spent upwards of \$900, of special gifts and other offerings, in improvements preparatory to consecration. St. Paul's Mission, Brockton, under its energetic and devoted missionary, Mr. Hodgkiss, has paid floating debts, and improved its church by the outlay of \$450; and has almost completed a subscription of \$1,000, which will pay the last dollar due on its land. St. John's, Fall River, has expended several hundred dollars in improvements on the Church. St. John's, Framingham, has paid for a furnace and for sheds — a most important improvement — about \$500. St. James's, South Groveland, for a new bell and for the Rectory, about \$250. Ascension, Waltham, cost \$1,200 more than I stated last year, but it has all been paid. St. James's, New Bedford, has cut down its debt by the payment of \$2,500. St. Peter's, Cambridge, under a marked revival of interest, has greatly improved its interior by an outlay of \$1,000, and has funds to do likewise with the exterior. St. James's, Greenfield, has a beautiful Altar and

Beredos, with Chancel furniture, chiefly provided for by friends in Hartford and Middletown, which, with improvements made by the Parish, have cost \$1,300, as a memorial to that gifted organist whose religious life and professional career began in St. James's, — the late Henry Wilson. Bishop Williams and a large number of Connecticut friends were present on the interesting occasion of the uncovering of the new and beautiful work. St. Paul's, Dedham, is greatly glorified by admirable interior decorations and equipments, the gift of a venerable and beloved member; and also by a renewal of its organ by another godly man, the improvements costing \$5,700. St. Luke's, Chelsea, has surprised itself and its friends by its noble efforts, and has paid upwards of \$800 on repairs and improvements. Ascension Memorial, Ipswich, has had happy success in raising \$2,000 for completing the Church. I note the honorable record of "St. Agnes' Society" in this Parish, whose members, — about thirty young women, chiefly operatives in the mills, — by the devotion of one evening a week to Church work, as well as one to Church music, after all the fatigue of the day, have raised \$200 towards this work. How such fruits would have delighted the soul of the strong, loving founder, John Cotton Smith! How it ought to shame the supposed helplessness of some Parishes and Missions! There has been raised for the Atonement, Westfield, about \$725. All Saints', Dorchester, has moved its Church nearer to the Ashmont station, — a very wise move, well worth the considerable outlay it has required. Nearly \$1,200 of this cost has been met already. The Parish has now declined further aid from the Board of Missions. Grace Church, Newton, has reduced its debt by an Easter offering of \$3,500. The venerable Christ Church, Cambridge, has completely renewed — not destroyed — its interior by decorations in the best of taste, at a cost of about \$4,500.

It is most cheering to make record of the *new* work undertaken, and in some cases finished, in the matter of building. The Rectory of St. Peter's, Beverly, is now in progress. The handsome brick Rectory of St. Paul's, Holyoke, is completed, and all but paid for, at a cost of \$5,300. The fine stone Chapel and Schoolhouse of Grace, Medford, costing \$7,800, is completed, paid for, and in use. St. Matthew's, Worcester, has built a Parish Building, costing \$6,000, on which it has paid already \$3,500, — a grand effort.

Emmanuel, Manchester, built by an honored son of the Church, whose consecrated zeal and labors are felt in very many quarters of Christian effort, is completed, and awaits consecration. Ascension Memorial, Ipswich, is, as I have said, completed, and awaits consecration. St. John the Evangelist's, Hingham, will be consecrated in June. The new Church at Vineyard Haven, Martha's Vineyard, will be consecrated about the same time. That at Cottage City, on the same island, will be opened in July; but, as it is larger and more costly than was at first planned, may have to defer consecration. The beautiful Emmanuel Memorial Church and Chapel at Shelburne Falls is begun. That almost model rural Church in West Springfield (always private property only) has been bought, under the admirable leadership of our General Missionary, by the newly developed Mission in Wareham, and will soon be rebuilt on its distant new site, and presented for consecration as the Church of the Good Shepherd. Some noble giving on the part of a few good Wareham people has made all this possible. A very interesting opening has been found or made, under the counsel and labors of the Rev. Mr. Shinn, and the new Mission of St. Paul's, Newton Highlands, has plans for the immediate erection of a little Church. Trinity, Bridgewater, has secured a choice lot in the centre of the village, and is now proceeding to rebuild on that site, removing what it may of the old Church, a mile distant, to the new place; an admirable move, of great promise. Trinity, Lenox, has a handsome subscription, and is getting ready to "arise and build:" there never was a clearer providential summons. St. Paul's, Stockbridge, ought to be in a like listening attitude. St. Stephen's, Pittsfield, has formally entered on the question of a new Church.

Since last Convention I have formally opened the new and grand Church of the Advent, Boston, which, with the land, has cost fully \$200,000, and lacks very little of being fully paid for. St. John's, Jamaica Plain, an exquisite stone Church, costing with the land \$50,000, has been opened, but is not yet fully paid for. Christ Church, Medway, a stone Church of unique beauty, has been opened for regular services in connection with Trinity, Milford. The continuance of full ministrations at the former Church of the Advent, Boston, now called the Mission of St. John the Evangelist, practically results in the inauguration of a new Church for the city.

I have consecrated another beautiful stone Church, St. Mark's, Adams, with a Chapel ; also the Church of the Ascension, Waltham, with a Chapel ; also the Church of the Atonement, Westfield ; also the very picturesque St. Paul's, North Andover, built of stone from the fields and their dividing walls ; also All Saints' Church of St. Anne's Parish, Chelmsford, a building of like picturesqueness and durability ; also Grace, New Bedford, extremely effective, and having an excellent Chapel. I have consecrated St. John's, Arlington, under greatly brightening prospects. From all this you may gather that we have had eight Churches or Chapels opened for services during the past Conventional year. We have had seven Consecrations of Churches, some of them used heretofore without Consecration. Four churches are now completed, or so near it that the day is fixed for their Consecration ; and three more are in building.

I doubt whether quite such a record as the above has ever been presented by me during any previous year of my Episcopate. I am deeply impressed, as I review the past, with the admirable efficiency of many of my *young* brethren in the Ministry, who have had the humility and the wisdom to choose or accept some new or perhaps so-called hard field in preference to one more conspicuous or perhaps easy and attractive. Of the new Churches built in my Diocese during my Episcopate, a very considerable number owe their being to the labors of young Ministers, often beginning as Deacons. It is a very noble ambition to consecrate one's first years in the Ministry to such enduring and monumental service. But I could wish for more of those honorable and helpful recognitions of such brethren by their elders in the way of "exchanges" and calls of brotherly kindness. Every Deacon ought to find brethren only too glad to go to his flock and break the sacramental bread to them ; and for a Priest, having no engagement for a specified day, to decline such service towards a needy brother unless well paid for it by one who generally has a meagre stipend for himself, seems to me most painful and humiliating.

In the Reports which will be presented to Convention from the Church Home for Orphans, St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, the Clerical Fund, and the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, you will find cheering evidences of a high degree of prosperity. The Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book

Society is on a better basis than ever before. The Wells Memorial Association — rather a Workingmen's Club than a Church Society — has made great advance under the leadership of its able President, a member of this House, and has erected a costly and admirable building. The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary holds its steadfast course, brightening every year, already an agency for Christ whose praise is in all the Churches. Its reports show nearly \$21,000 as the money value of its efforts during the last year.

Our Diocesan Board of Missions continues blessed of God, and as harmonious and vigorous as ever. Its needs and opportunities are so great in such a field as this Commonwealth, that it is "always poor, yet making many rich," like St. Paul's early Ministers. More money has been given by the *Parishes*, and more of them have contributed, than ever before. The payment for stipends to Missionaries exceeds any thing we have ever before reached. I record with gratitude to God the good Providence that led the Board to resolve on the policy of employing a General Missionary to go throughout the length and breadth of the Diocese seeking our scattered sheep that have no shepherd, and ministering to their wants. He has found hundreds of such; and in several places he has discovered or awakened such an abiding interest that hopeful Missions are growing up in ways quite unlooked for. The skill and wisdom, the zeal and labors, the brotherly kindness and loyalty of our Missionary, make him welcome in every Parish and Mission, and a "true yokefellow" of his Bishop and Brethren. The Report of the Diocesan Board will show you that it has spent \$12,756 during the last year, and has paid the Missionaries promptly, but it needs \$375 more to save it from carrying a debt into the new year. And it *must spend more* during this coming year. Places are opening up into which this Church must go, or be pronounced cold-hearted and unfaithful. Rarely has the Providence of God set before us so many fields apparently white to the harvest. And upon some of them the Board of Missions has resolved to enter, because it believes it hears the Master's summons, "Go, work in my vineyard." But the Board is only this Diocesan Church in Committee, — is yourselves, ye godly ministers and laymen, — and ye must sustain it. Increase, if possible, your pledges for the new year, and speak out your thankfulness to Him who

gives this Church such grand opportunities, and resources all-sufficient for them.

It is a matter of pain to me to note the slow progress of two good Causes which are deserving of a better record. I can add nothing to what I said last year in favor of the Church Temperance Society, and the Church Building Fund Commission. I grant that the former is an experiment; but where an evil is so all-devouring as Intemperance, it is nobler and more Christ-like to *try*, than to pass by on the other side. As to the latter, there is no experiment about it. Nearly all the great Denominations of the land have solved it for themselves, and are reaping the abundant rewards of their zeal, wisdom, and piety. Our present method of building Mission Churches is honorable grief and loss to our devoted missionaries, and a disgrace to the Church which requires this at their hands.


The canonical application of a Parish desiring admission into union with the Convention has been responded to, I am informed, by the alleged unwillingness of the Standing Committee to approve, on the ground of the doubtful legality of certain points in its Constitution or By-laws. As these points are in precise accord, it is claimed, with the Form recommended by the Convention, and followed in so many of our Parishes during the last decade, the doubt is unfortunate. It not only may deprive some Parishes of the privilege of admission this year, without their fault, but must disturb many already admitted. I recommend the immediate reference of the matter to a Committee, to report, if possible, at this meeting of the Convention, what changes, if any, are necessary.

At the last Convention a Report of a Committee was unanimously adopted, expressing the opinion that the Amendment to the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer, proposed at the last General Convention, ought not to be adopted. Several other influential Dioceses having agreed in this sentiment, it is not probable that the Amendment will be ratified by General Convention next autumn. If not, no provision for "shortened Services" is possible within three years from now, and hardly probable so soon. This fact I must regard as an unhappy one, and full of possible danger to the Prayer Book. Unless in God's goodness the very able and laborious Commission of General Convention on the Enrichment (and therefore Revision) of the Prayer Book,—

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of which one of our Massachusetts deputies is a leading and most important member, — unless this Commission can help us, I foresee in the near future only an *approximation* to what can be called “*common*” prayer and praise in the worship of this national Church. “Shortened Services” are now a *necessity* for Lent and for many other times and occasions. “*Necessitas non habet legem*” (necessity has no law), says an old maxim in jurisprudence. And if the Church will not regulate this matter of lawful abbreviation (as the English Church, which began its discussion later than we, has done long since), then every Minister will become a law unto himself. Many have done this already, and each year of enjoyment makes dispossession more difficult. And if the wise and loyal Churchman may add, subtract, divide, and multiply in his conduct of the Church’s Worship, so may the unwise and disloyal. If the Office of the Holy Communion may be amended at sound men’s discretion, so may it be at that of unsound men. If there may be omissions or additions in the administration of the one Sacrament, so there may be in that of the other Sacrament; and more lawfully still (though not so easily) changes in Confirmation and Ordination. Nor can any sensible and fair-minded man claim that changes not affecting *essential* doctrine or ritual may safely be made, while others would be unlawful; for opinions differ as to what is essential, and the transgressor makes himself the judge in all such cases.

In the existing canonical inaction of the General Convention, no Bishop is canonically competent to sanction officially any other “use of the Book of Common Prayer” than the full use as prescribed in Canon 22, Title I. of the Digest, except “for extraordinary occasions,” when he may “compose forms of prayer and thanksgiving, . . . and transmit them to each Clergyman within his Diocese,” as provided in Canon 15. But not many Bishops, I presume, would remonstrate against a wise and sober discretion, on a Presbyterian’s own responsibility, in cases of almost necessary shortening of the Services. Only it should ever be remembered that by the separation of the three parts of the Morning Service sufficient relief often may be gotten; and, when more is necessary, that an *abbreviation* of a Service (as by the use of one lesson, psalm, or chant, or certain prayers only) is more orderly and churchly than a loose re-adjustment of the several parts. In all



this matter it is my earnest, well-pondered counsel to the Clergy, that they deny themselves all changes for the sake of change, or sentiment, or religious æstheticism ; remembering that, unless the wise and influential set a strict example, the Church is likely to receive grievous wounds in its liturgic worship during the dangerous unrestraint of the next few years. And I would further suggest that the rule about Services on the Lord's Day, and on days of especial prominence, as the Annual Visitation of the Bishop, and the like, may wisely be a pretty stringent one. In such a Diocese as this, the Bishop can make but one Visitation a year ; and it does not add to its dignity, or the general estimate of its importance, to have that Service a fragmentary thing, a half-Service. Where such shortening is desirable, the Bishop's unnecessary address always can be omitted, and thus time be saved for the Church's order.

The generally prevalent but unauthorized freedom in Services is also foisting in divers and sundry liberties in what many of you will call "the mint, anise, and cummin" of ritual law and order. Well ; even so. One said of such, "These things ought ye to do, and not to leave the weightier matters undone." If I venture to rehearse a few specimen changes, you may either smile or strike, if you will but hear. In a few Churches all are taught to recite audibly "the General Thanksgiving," partly because it is held appropriate and beautiful, and partly because of such a custom more or less prevalent in England. It will hardly be claimed that the word "general," which of course indicates *the scope and range* of the subjects for the "thanksgiving" as suitable for all men, — nine *special* thanksgivings following in the American Prayer Book, — is a direction as to *the manner* of its recital. The italicised *Amen* forbids such a notion ; and the Church fails to add to the name of the collect — as in "the General Confession" — the direction "to be said by the whole congregation."

An error by way of silence, without shadow of authority, is the curious custom occasionally seen among us, of the people surrendering to the Minister the opening words of the Lord's Prayer and of the Creed. "Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed by the Minister and the People," says the rubric ; but, here and there, only one man may say the *Credo*, "*I believe*," — the only words which make either grammar or sense of all that follows ; and

whose omission puts the people in the strange attitude of having risen to affirm their belief, but of failing nevertheless to make any affirmation whatsoever until they reach the words, "I believe in the Holy Ghost," which by a happy inconsistency they may assert. Against that unhappy fashion by which the *people* are discouraged from addressing the Almighty in the Lord's Prayer by the most precious name of "Our Father" — the Priest only using the first sentence — I will not cite rubric; but they who obey the rubric are they who best remember the very words of Him who "taught us how to pray" by saying, "When ye pray, say, 'Our Father who art in Heaven.'"

If I allude to another of these silences of the people which were not formerly known to this Church, — namely, the people's silence in that ancient and most magnificent outburst of praise, the Trisagion, — I know I am entering on ground which is debatable, or at least is debated; and I propose no discussion here. I know some old Uses before the Reformation cherished our new fashion, but they everywhere encouraged the Priest's assumption of vicarious offices for the people. *Our* rubric says as distinctly as words can say, "Then shall *the Priest* turn to the Lord's table, and say, 'It is very meet,' " etc.; "then shall follow the Proper Preface." If there be none, "immediately shall be said or sung *by the Priest and People*, 'Therefore with Angels and Archangels.' " Do the People obey this rubric directing an unanimous act of praise, if the Priest continues reciting alone, as if under the rubric just preceding, and the people consent to break in at an unauthorized point midway, and say or sing only the latter half of an undivided act of sublimest adoration, intended for all partakers at the Altar? As for a lay voice in the choir taking the words away from Priest and people both, there is not a more flagrant breach of ecclesiastical principle and rubrical propriety known among us. And just here let me add, without discussion, that I view with regret the growing change of practice in reference to the use of the Lord's Prayer by *all* the worshippers, wherever it occurs in the public worship, according to the expressed opinion, years ago, of the House of Bishops. The absence of rubrical direction is not in all cases construed thus; and the old notion of the Lord's Prayer as *the people's prayer* is a precious and true one.

In the American Prayer Book there is no authority for Anthem

or Hymn just before the Litany, the English rubric having been intentionally expunged. There never was any in the English Book for a Hymn. Why should some of us interject one because we like it? And when, as not infrequently, the Hymn is so sung by one person or by four, that no other worshipper, priest or layman, can join in it, what is it but an impertinent as well as unrubrical interruption of a praying congregation? It is not clear that either Priest or people need to pause in their prayers to have a choir, or a member thereof, intercede for them that God would "hear their solemn Litany" which the worshippers are about to begin. The *Kyrie*, after each one of the Commandments, is sometimes sung so softly, deftly, and with two or three different settings in the ten verses, that it is simply impossible for the people to exercise their rubrical privilege and duty, "after every Commandment, of asking God's mercy . . . and grace." I have known even so vulgar a stage effect studied, by increasing softness of voice and concealment of face, as the seeming withdrawal of the harmonious seekers of "mercy for their transgressions for the time past," to a greater and greater distance from the worshippers, until at last only careful listening assured one that the hope was vain that they had withdrawn altogether and forever.

I know, brethren of the Clergy and Laity, that I shall be counted a man of the former generations when I say that the fashion among some, of the Priest's snatching at his verse in the Psalter several words before the people have finished theirs, seems to me irreverent and disorderly, and especially painful when the name of Deity is thus confounded and overwhelmed through the haste of the beginners of a new utterance. This way amazes some not of us, and provokes public and painful notice, as a singular handling of God's word by a reverent Church. I do not think I fear the same judgment among brethren when I allude to the seeming irreverence here and there towards Holy Scripture. A Jew of the olden time would not allow a bit of written matter to lie at his feet, because, he said, it might contain some of the words of God. Nearly two-thirds of our Prayer Book is the very Word of God, and the remainder is God's Word incorporated into the prayers and praises and the sacramental offices of His Church. How extraordinary the notion that the fit place in a chancel for the Church's books of Divine Service is at one's feet, amidst the dust

and dirt where we would not lay our poor sermons or toss a handkerchief! I have once spoken before this Convention against careless and irreverent use of altars; but I submit, that, if our blurred and filthy money may rest there in offering, the Divine Scriptures and Holy Offices of the Church need not be cast at its feet.

Bear with me a moment longer. The Holy Communion and the Baptismal Offices are, by common consent, the most important offices in our Prayer Book. Can we not, by a little wholesome self-restraint, leave them unmarred by addition or subtraction? Considering that liberties with these offices must make it easy for the few who believe too much or too little to corrupt or to deprave the Church's doctrine, and difficult for a Bishop to restrain them, are we wise in allowing ourselves liberties? Omission of a few words from one Sacramental Office, and the discipline ensuing, started our only schism since we had a history. Is omission of columns, or the addition of sentences, in the case of the other Sacrament quite certainly our right and wisdom?

You may think me needlessly sensitive. But pardon me, Brethren of the Clergy, for I have put my name, twice in my life, and as a condition precedent to Holy Orders, to a solemn engagement to "conform to the *Doctrines and Worship* of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States." I have also promised before the altar that I will "so minister the Doctrine and Sacraments . . . as this Church hath received the same." With these solemn covenants upon my conscience, you may assure me, if you will, that the ascription after the Gospel, "Praise be to Thee, O Christ," or "Thanks be to God for His Holy Gospel," was known to the early Church; was also in the "Uses" before the Reformation; and that although it had no recognition in any of the Prayer Books of the English Church, and has none in that of this American Church to which we owe paramount allegiance, nevertheless Bishop Cosin, a good Liturgist of the unhappy days of the two Caroline Kings, sketched something like it in improvements he would welcome in the Prayer Book; and finally that it teaches no false doctrine, and is beautiful besides. It is all to no purpose, brethren. No such provision exists in the standard Prayer Book of this Church; and I am not even a member of the Enrichment Commission, much less a Committee of one to revise it. So also I should say of the introduction of the *Benedictus*

qui venit before the solemn prayer of consecration, and of the *Agnus Dei* after it, save that I should add that their insertion at those points is taken from the Roman Canon of the Mass, is intended to teach false doctrine, and is a breach of canon law besides. Then, too, there is another supposed improvement, with not the faintest odor of error about it. It only needs the change of a word in the rubric, which, being an old-time affair, supposed that the fittest closing act in Divine Service was the authoritative invocation of the abiding blessing of peace. The blessing of the choir — especially if it be of a soft and sweet quartette — is better; and worship after the Benediction may go right on as before, if you will only read the rubric, “Then the Priest (the Bishop if he be present) shall *not* let them depart with this Blessing.”

Again, why should we, in that almost habit of free dealing with rubrics which has grown out of our loose views concerning shortened Services, needlessly override the plain requirement of the rubric which says, “Then shall the Priest first receive the Communion in both kinds himself, and proceed to deliver the same to the . . . People also in order, *into their hands*”? Of course the Priest who gives the people no encouragement nor even opportunity to partake at all is guilty of a flagrant breach of order, and ought in conscience never to use on such occasions many portions of the foregoing office. But my present point is, that he who does not deliver the chalice “into the people’s hands,” but only presses it to their lips, their hands not touching it, errs just as he would do who should deliver the Bread into the mouth, not the hands, of the people.

But there is a class of omissions or shortenings of the Communion Office which I am bound in conscience to name to you. The desire to have more frequent Communions — sometimes several on one day — for reasons sometimes more or less sound and judicious, has a temptation in it for our overworked Clergy with no assistants. Laymen mention to me with sorrow, that they are gradually being remanded, in some Churches, to the old, bad, and outgrown custom of never hearing the Ante-Communion Service unless on the Sunday of the midday Communion, once a month. That custom was once supposed to be all that people could bear. Once in a while I find a Clergyman proceeding on that theory now; with Celebrations, and therefore Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, only

once a month. But now it seems likely to be made generally respectable among earnest Churchmen, by the fact that in not a few Churches only they who are at an early Service may hear any part of the Communion Office. The distinguishing Service of the day is for the ten or the fifty who can go early, will go early, will partake every Lord's Day, or will do that unchurchly thing of habitually attending without partaking. The hundred, the many hundreds, of communicants, non-communicants, youth, — in short, "the great congregation" at the convenient hour, — lose all after Morning Prayer because the few have had it earlier. I ask my devout and thoughtful brethren to consider this matter: some devout laymen grieve over their loss, some easier ones enjoy it. When all worshippers shall have become satisfied with it, we shall have untaught our Church people what good Churchmen have succeeded in teaching them only after a generation of faithful labor.

Nothing is plainer than that the Church supposes the Holy Communion office to begin where it puts the title "The Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion." But, as it distinctly contemplates a break and frequently an ending after the Gospel and the Sermon, it would seem as if the point to which the rubric calls attention when it says, "After the Sermon, the Minister, when there is a Communion, shall return to the Lord's Table, and begin the Offertory," — followed, as you know, by the first distinctive act, that of placing the elements on the holy Table, — would be the more suitable point to begin the office on the part of one who, for cause, may not begin at the beginning. I am very sure that it ought not to begin at that purely arbitrary point marked by the invitation "*Ye who do truly.*" And I am equally sure that the exhortation prior to that, to which this shorter invitation refers as it bids those prepared as devout men have been just exhorted to prepare themselves, should never be omitted. The rubric, immediately before that short invitation, "*Ye who do truly,*" says, "*Then* shall the Priest say to those who come to receive the Holy Communion;" *then*, that is, after he has uttered the Church's admirable statement of the danger of coming unprepared, of the right preparation, and of the supreme motives moving us to this blessed commemoration and holy mystery. And that voice of the Church he must utter; for, says the rubric explicitly, "At the time of the Celebration of the Communion, the Priest shall

say this Exhortation." And is it for us to reply, "No: at the time of the Celebration I shall not say this Exhortation, for it consumes from two to three minutes of time"? Nor would the reason suffice, which a few in the English Church who have largely pushed this omission have given; viz., that the Exhortation is a distastefully Protestant document, and professes to tell the faithful, at a very solemn moment and with much detail, just how they must be prepared so that they "shall be meet partakers of those holy mysteries;" while it strangely fails even to mention or suggest private confession and absolution as the completest of all methods of preparation, in the judgment of the Church, our wise and loving Mother.

I suppose that I need not conceal from you the fact that the administration of this Diocese is growing yearly more arduous, God be praised! I should present a list of many more clergymen than 168, if I accepted the Dimissory Letters of all good men who have offered them, having no office or cure in the Diocese. Many Bishops accept such. But, as it is, we have 36 more Ministers in this Diocese than I found here, and about 7,000 more communicants; and that means more Episcopal care; and the 38 places which I now visit, where there were no regular Services when I came among you, mean more Episcopal work than in my early Episcopate. I have often been honestly perplexed to know why I could not get more time for the better discharge of some of my duties. I work to the utmost of my strength, but I do not often transgress limits so as to be compelled to stop altogether. Favor me, dear brethren, in not wondering at my unwillingness to visit any Parish twice a year. Allow me, even if a little inconvenient to yourselves, to unload a little the heavy burdens of the latter half of the Diocesan year by visiting more Parishes during Advent and early winter. Thus you will do me a favor, and prolong the possibilities of my work among you.

I had hoped, dear Brethren in Christ, to have laid before you in Council this year a Charge concerning some of the great perils growing out of the apparently increasing dislike of the supernatural in religion, which we see everywhere about us in New England. In that event you would have escaped all in this Address save the detail of work and prospects. Our Episcopal Addresses in many Dioceses seem to have taken on such a wide range as almost to

have supplanted — indeed, to have become — Episcopal Charges. But the duties of the last winter have proved so unexpectedly arduous and all-engrossing, that I failed to make it possible to carry out my better intention.

I have detained you long. You will not all of you count all of my counsels profitable or worthy of being followed; but you will all accept my affection, honor my motives, and respect my plain speaking. In none of my counsels will you find any "leaven of malice or wickedness," but only "the unleavened bread of sincerity and" — what I believe to be — "truth."

May God's all-wise Spirit overrule all my aims, supplement all my failings, help all my weakness, neutralize all my unwise counsels, and accept my sincere endeavors! May that gracious Spirit enlighten all your deliberations, guide all your wisdom, both quicken and restrain your words in council, bless your labors, glorify His Church, and bring us all, when our work is done, to His everlasting kingdom!

APPENDIX TO THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

I.

I.—HELPERS AND SEEKERS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY.

1. LAY READERS.

(Holding License until Advent, 1883.)

Frederick A. Warren.	Albert S. Pillsbury.
Thomas Mair.	Edgar W. Upton.
E. C. Millett.	N. W. Farrar.
Richard Middleton.	Langdon L. Ward.
Edward H. Cutler.	Richard A. Ottiwell.
James N. Edmonston.	George F. Smythe.
Paul B. Watson.	C. Willard Carter.
Robert M. Lawrence.	Henry M. Ladd.
James F. Sayer, jun.	George Alexander Strong.
William E. Peck.	Henry Wood.
Henry M. Snell.	Frank P. Hill.
Frank W. Baker.	Endicott Peabody.
George C. Tate.	Joseph A. Ticknor.
Henry W. Winkley.	Thomas W. Nickerson, jun.
Edmund S. Rousmaniere.	Sherrard Billings.
George R. Curwen.	Wilford L. Robbins.
J. D. W. French.	Howard N. Wakeman.
John W. Young.	William B. Trull.
Alfred B. Nichols.	William H. Williams.
Samuel F. Adam.	Walter B. Coburn.
Ernest H. Mariett.	Carl O. Balch.
Charles H. Baggs.	Clarence E. Kelley.
John W. Suter.	James M. Hubbard.

2. CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

Alfred F. Washburn (Deacon)	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted Oct.	2, 1877
Francis G. Burgess	"	.	.	.	.	"	May 9, 1878
Charles M. Addison	"	.	.	.	.	"	July 2, 1879
Julius W. Atwood	"	.	.	.	.	Received by Letters	Oct. 11, 1879
Benjamin S. Sanderson	"	.	.	.	.	Admitted Oct.	18, 1879
Samuel Snelling	"	.	.	.	.	"	Nov. 4, 1879
Melville K. Bailey	.	.	.	.	.	"	Nov. 5, 1879

Charles L. Wells (Deacon)	. . . . .	Admitted June 1, 1880
Henry R. Sargent	. . . . .	" Nov. 2, 1880
Charles J. Mason	. . . . .	" Nov. 2, 1880
Joseph A. Ticknor	. . . . .	" Nov. 2, 1880
Endicott Peabody	. . . . .	" May 4, 1881
James O. Lincoln	. . . . .	" June 8, 1881
William S. Emery	. . . . .	" June 8, 1881
Thomas W. Nickerson, jun.	. . . . .	" July 5, 1881
Frank W. Baker	. . . . .	" July 5, 1881
Wilford L. Robbins	. . . . .	" Nov. 26, 1881
Henry W. Winkley	. . . . .	" Dec. 7, 1881
John W. Suter	. . . . .	" Dec. 7, 1881
Robert E. Jones (Deacon)	. . . . .	Received by Letters Jan. 2, 1882
Sherrard Billings	. . . . .	Admitted Jan. 4, 1882
William Hyde	. . . . .	" Jan. 4, 1882
Thomas A. Hyde	. . . . .	" Jan. 4, 1882
Ernest H. Mariett	. . . . .	" March 8, 1882
George Franklin Smythe	. . . . .	" July 4, 1882
Carlton P. Mills	. . . . .	" July 4, 1882
Langdon L. Ward	. . . . .	" Nov. 8, 1882
Henry Wood	. . . . .	" Dec. 6, 1882
George Alexander Strong	. . . . .	" Jan. 5, 1883

II.—THE CLERGY RECORD.

1. CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

Consent Given.

Hugh Miller Thompson, D.D., to be Assistant Bishop of Mississippi.

2. ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE.

June 4, 1882.	Benjamin Smith Sanderson, by the Bishop of New York, in New York City, for the Bishop of Massachusetts.
" 21, 1882.	Julius Walter Atwood, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
" 21, 1882.	Charles Luke Wells, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
" 21, 1882.	Charles W. K. Morrill, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
" 21, 1882.	Samuel Snelling, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
" 21, 1882.	Charles Morris Addison, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.

3. ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

June 1, 1882.	Samuel Hodgkiss, in St. Paul's, Malden.
" 1, 1882.	Henry Sylvester Nash, in St. Paul's, Malden.
" 1, 1882.	Henry Herbert Smythe, in St. Paul's, Malden.
" 1, 1882.	Arthur Wellesley Chapman, in St. Paul's, Malden.

4. RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

May 22, 1882.	Henry H. Smythe, from Southern Ohio.
June 30, 1882.	Otis O. Wright, from Rhode Island.
July 15, 1882.	Frank A. Sanborn, from Springfield.
Aug. 1, 1882.	Joseph E. Lindholm, from Rhode Island.
Oct. 26, 1882.	J. Milton Peck, from Central Pennsylvania.

- Nov. 4, 1882. John T. Magrath, from Pennsylvania.
 " 15, 1882. Henry Hague, from Rhode Island.
 Dec. 15, 1882. John Gregson, from Central Pennsylvania.
 " 15, 1882. Charles A. Hayden, from Southern Ohio.
 " 26, 1882. Charles D. Barbour, from Southern Ohio.
 Jan. 25, 1883. Francis Gilliat, from Maryland.
 April 17, 1883. Frederick N. Luson, from Michigan.
 " 24, 1883. Edward Benedict, from Illinois.

5. TRANSFERRED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

- May 22, 1882. William T. Fitch to Long Island.
 Aug. 25, 1882. Frederick W. Dennis, Deacon, to Colorado.
 Aug. 25, 1882. Charles W. K. Morrill, Deacon, to Rhode Island.
 Sept. 4, 1882. Samuel R. Bailey to Connecticut.
 Sept. 15, 1882. David J. Ayers to New York.
 Oct. 14, 1882. Samuel Hollingsworth, S.T.D., to New York.
 Oct. 25, 1882. Henry Mackay to Kansas.
 Oct. 30, 1882. James S. Ellis to Easton.
 Oct. 30, 1882. James B. Wasson to New York.
 Jan. 10, 1883. D'Estaing Jennings to Central Pennsylvania.
 Jan. 15, 1883. Treadwell Walden to Minnesota.
 Feb. 15, 1883. Frederick Burgess to Connecticut.

6. DECEASED.

- May 15, 1882. Daniel G. Anderson.

7. RESIGNATIONS.

- David J. Ayers, Assistant, St. Anne's, Lowell.
 John A. Bevington, Assistant, Good Shepherd, Boston.
 Frederick Burgess, Rector, Grace, Amherst.
 James I. T. Coolidge, D.D., Head Master, St. Mark's School, and Rector, St. Mark's Church, Southborough.
 Charles W. Duffield, Missionary, Ascension, Cambridge.
 James S. Ellis, Rector, St. John's, Wilkinsonville, and Missionary, Millbury.
 Arthur C. A. Hall, Assistant, Advent, Boston.
 Edward W. Osborne, Assistant, Advent, Boston.
 Samuel Hodgkiss, Missionary, Emmanuel, Wakefield.
 Henry F. Allen, Chaplain, St. Luke's Home, Boston.
 Joseph Jenks, Rector, Trinity, Bridgewater.
 Charles L. Hutchins, Rector, St. John's, Arlington.
 Henry Mackay, Rector, St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls.
 George J. Prescott, Chaplain, House of the Good Samaritan, Boston.
 Edward A. Rand, in charge of Christ Church, Hyde Park.
 James E. Wilkinson, Missionary, Christ Church, Plymouth.
 Robert E. Jones, Missionary, St. John's, Williamstown.
 Henry S. Nash, Assistant, Christ Church, Waltham.
 William R. Hooper, Rector, St. John's, Gloucester.

8. ELECTIONS OR APPOINTMENTS.

- Charles M. Addison, Rector, St. John's, Arlington, and Missionary at Winchester.

Julius W. Atwood, Rector, Ascension Memorial, Ipswich.
 Charles W. Duffield, Missionary, Shelburne Falls.
 John Gregson, Rector, St. John's, Wilkinsville, and Missionary, Millbury.
 Joseph E. Lindholm, Rector, St. James's, Great Barrington.
 Henry Hagus, Rector, St. Matthew's, Worcester.
 J. Milton Peck, Rector, Trinity, Bridgewater.
 Samuel Hodgkiss, Missionary, St. Paul's, Brockton.
 George J. Prescott, Chaplain, Insane Asylum, Somerville.
 Benjamin S. Sanderson, Assistant, St. John's, Boston Highlands.
 Samuel Snelling, Assistant, St. John's, Charlestown.
 Charles L. Wells, Missionary, St. John the Evangelist, Hingham.
 Otis O. Wright, Rector, Christ Church, Swansea.
 James E. Wilkinson, Missionary, Ascension, Cambridge, and Chaplain, St. Luke's Home, Boston.
 Frank A. Sanborn, Assistant, Church of the Messiah, Boston.
 Charles D. Barbour, Missionary, Christ Church, Plymouth.
 Francis Gilliat, Assistant, St. Anne's, Lowell.
 Arthur C. A. Hall, in charge St. John the Evangelist, Boston.
 John T. Magrath, Rector, Christ Church, Hyde Park.
 Henry S. Nash, in charge Ascension, Waltham.
 Charles A. Hayden, Rector, St. John's, Gloucester.
 Edward A. Rand, Missionary, Concord.
 Frederick N. Luson, Missionary, Emmanuel, Wakefield.
 Edward Benedict, Assistant, Advent, Boston.

III.—CHURCHES.

1. CONSECRATED.

St. Mark's, Adams.	Grace, New Bedford.
St. Paul's, North Andover.	The Atonement, Westfield.
Ascension, Waltham.	All Saints', Chelmsford.
St. John's, Arlington.	

2. OPENED WITHOUT CONSECRATION.

St. John's, Jamaica Plain.	The Advent, Boston.
The Chapel of Grace Church, Medford.	Christ Church, Medway.

3. IN BUILDING.

St. John the Evangelist's, Hingham.	Emmanuel Memorial, Shelburne Falls.
Emmanuel, Manchester.	
Grace, Vineyard Haven.	The Good Shepherd, Wareham.
Trinity, Cottage City.	St. Paul's, Newton Highlands.

APPENDIX TO THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

II.

II. — JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

- May 10. 9 A.M.: Trinity Chapel, Boston; opened with prayers, and presided at the preliminary meeting for organization of the Ninety-second Annual Convention of the Diocese. 10 A.M.: Trinity Church; took part in the Opening Services of Convention, and celebrated the Holy Communion; after which, at the Chapel, presided at the meeting to complete the organization. 3.30 P.M.: Trinity Chapel; presided at the Session of Convention, and delivered my Ninth Annual Address. Evening: Trinity Chapel; presided at a meeting to consider the question of a Church Temperance Society. .
- " 11. A.M.: Trinity Church, Boston; Morning Prayer with the Convention. Later: Trinity Chapel; business session of Convention. P.M.: Closing session.
- " 12. Evening: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 14. Fifth Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Grace, Newton; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them. P.M.: Messiah, Auburndale; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 15. Noon: Boston; Committee of the Church Temperance Society. P.M.: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 16. A.M.: Boston; Theological Examination of five candidates for the Diaconate. Evening: Grace, Lawrence; preached; confirmed 29, and addressed them.
- " 17. A.M.: St. Paul's, North Andover; consecrated the new Church, celebrated the Holy Communion; confirmed 13, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Lawrence; confirmed 1 in private; and afterwards preached; confirmed 18, and addressed them.
- " 18. Ascension Day, P.M.: Trinity, Boston; presided at and addressed a large and general meeting of our Sunday Schools, which was very happily addressed by Archdeacon Kirkby.
- " 21. Sunday after Ascension, A.M.: St. Anne's, South Lincoln; preached; after Service had a conference with the Vestry. This was the day kept in the Diocese as the Day of Intercession for Missions, for which Special Services had been put forth by the Bishop. P.M.: Mission, Concord; preached, and confirmed 1 from the field of the General Missionary.

- May 22. Boston: Second Examination of five Candidates.
- " 23. Evening: Christ Church, Springfield; preached; confirmed 18, and addressed them. Later: Confirmed one other.
- " 24. A.M.: Atonement, Westfield; consecrated the Church, preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Paul's, Holyoke; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 25. Evening: St. John's, Northampton; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 26. Evening: Grace, Amherst; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 28. Whit-Sunday, A.M.: St. John's, Ashfield; took all the Service (the Rector being ill at home), preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Mission, Shelburne Falls; preached, and made a brief address.
- " 29. Monday in Whitsun-week, evening: St. James's, Greenfield; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 31. Ember Day, A.M.: Boston; Third Examination of Candidates. Evening: Conference with citizens in reference to the formation of a "Law and Order League" in behalf of Temperance.
- June 1. A.M.: St. Paul's, Malden; confirmed 5, and addressed them. At a second service, ordained four to the Priesthood, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Dr. Courtney preached.
- " 2. Evening: Trinity, Weymouth; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 4. Trinity Sunday, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Brockton; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. Celebrated the Holy Communion. Later. Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: Trinity, Bridgewater; preached in the town-hall, where services were inaugurated at that time, the old church being a mile from the village centre.
- " 5. Boston; Church Temperance Society.
- " 6. A.M.: Christ Church, Cambridge; Business Meeting of the Eastern Convocation. Later, Morning Prayer. Noon, Conference with the Examining Chaplains. P.M.: Presided at Meeting of Convocation for essays and discussion.
- " 7. A.M.: Ascension, Waltham; consecrated the Church, preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Messiah, Auburn-dale; confirmed 4, one of whom was presented by the General Missionary, and addressed them.
- " 8. A.M.: Boston; Committee from a vacant parish. Evening: St. John's, Millville; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 9. P.M.: St. John's, Wilkesonville; preached, and confirmed 1. Evening: Mission, Millbury; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 11. First Sunday after Trinity and St. Barnabas, A.M.: Grace, Fisk-dale; preached. P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: Preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 13. A.M.: Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; Annual Examinations. P.M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.

- June 14. **A.M.:** Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; Annual Examinations. **P.M.:** Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions. Later: Trustees of Society for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy.
- " 15. **Evening:** Messiah, Wood's Holl; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 16. **Evening:** at East Sandwich; as the result of services maintained in his own house by the Rev. Dr. Carleton, I confirmed 5, and addressed them, after preaching a sermon.
- " 18. **2d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.:** St. Andrew's, Hanover; preached. **Evening:** Mission, Hingham; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 19. **Boston:** Committee from a vacant Mission.
- " 21. **A.M.:** St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; Informal Meeting of the Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School. Later: Ordained five candidates to the Diaconate; viz., S. Snelling, C. M. Addison, J. W. Atwood, C. W. K. Morrill, and C. L. Wells; and celebrated the Holy Communion. Also addressed the graduating class of the school. **Evening:** St. Paul's, Peabody; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 22. **Evening:** Calvary, Danvers; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 24. **St. John the Baptist, evening:** Mission, South Lee; preached.
- " 25. **3d Sunday after Trinity. A.M.:** St. Paul's, Stockbridge; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. **P.M.:** Assisted at the funeral of a devout member of the parish; also confirmed, for the Rector, a sick person in Tyringham. **Evening:** St. George's, Lee; confirmed 1 in private; and later, preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 26. **P.M.:** Trinity College, Hartford; Special Meeting of the Corporation.
- " 27. **Trinity College, Hartford;** Annual Meeting of the Corporation; two sessions.
- " 28. **St. Peter, A.M.:** Trinity Church, Hartford; celebrated the Holy Communion. Christ Church, Hartford; Commencement Services. Opera House, Hartford; attended as Visitor and Trustee the Graduating Exercises of the Class.
- July 1. **Boston;** Trustees of St. Mark's School, Southborough.
- " 9. **5th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.:** "Asquam House," Holderness, N.H.; held service and preached. **P.M.:** "Camp Chocorua," Squam Lake, N.H.; held service and preached.
- " 16. **6th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.:** held full service and preached at the Church of the Free-Will Baptists, Sugar Hill, N.H.
- " 23. **7th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.:** "Sunset Hill" House, Sugar Hill, N.H.; full service and sermon.
- " 30. **8th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.:** Sunset Hill; service and sermon.
- Aug. 6. **9th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.:** Sunset Hill; service and sermon.
- " 13. **10th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.:** Sunset Hill; celebrated Holy Communion.
- " 20. **11th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.:** Sunset Hill; service and sermon.
- Sept. 3. **13th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.:** Sunset Hill; service and sermon.

- Sept. 10. 14th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; took the service, and preached. At noon, addressed the Sunday School. Evening: service and sermon.
- " 13. A.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; Farewell Communion Service with friends of Miss Bruce, about to leave for her Mission in China. Gave an address. Evening: Ascension, Ipswich: preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 14. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; Farewell Missionary Meeting for Miss Bruce; made an address.
- " 17. 15th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Trinity, Newport, R.I.; preached in behalf of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry. P.M.: preached in the same church.
- " 22. P.M.: Athol; after a brief service at a private house, and an address, confirmed 2, presented by the General Missionary, Mr. Beers, who also assisted. Evening: Mission, Shelburne Falls; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them; congratulated the congregation on the proposed new church.
- " 24. 16th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. John's, Williamstown; celebrated the Holy Communion, and preached. Evening: St. John's, North Adams; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 25. P.M.: St. Luke's, Lanesborough; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 26. A.M.: St. Mark's, Adams; consecrated the beautiful new church; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 27. Evening: St. Stephen's, Pittsfield; preached; confirmed 19, and addressed them.
- " 28. P.M.: Trinity, Lenox; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 29. St. Michael and All Angels', P.M.: St. Paul's, Otis; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 30. A.M.: St. Paul's, Stockbridge; confirmed 4, and addressed them. Evening: Trinity, Van Deusenville; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- Oct. 1. 17th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. James's, Great Barrington, preached; confirmed 3, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Christ Church, Sheffield; preached.
- " 2. P.M.: Hartford, Conn.; Committee of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry. Evening: Middletown, Conn.; conference on College interests.
- " 3. A.M.: Trinity College, Hartford; Meeting of the Corporation.
- " 4. Evening: Grace, Newton; Fiftieth Anniversary of the Eastern Convocation, with very interesting reminiscences from some of the brethren.
- " 5. A.M.: Grace, Newton; Memorial Service, the Rev. E. L. Drown preaching the sermon; the Holy Communion, my Brother the Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory being the celebrant. P.M.: Meeting for business, etc.; addressed the Convocation. Evening: I preached.
- " 7. P.M.: Holliston; I confirmed 1 in a private house, addressing the little company present.
- " 8. 18th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Trinity, Milford; preached; con-

firmed 5, and addressed them. Noon: Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. P.M.: Christ Church, Medway; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.

- Oct. 9. A.M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the Church Temperance Society.
- " 10. P.M.: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 11. A.M.: St. John's, Arlington; consecrated the Church; preached; confirmed 2, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 15. 19th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Clinton; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: Preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 17. P.M.: St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxilliary; Prayers, and an Address. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; Anniversary of the Woman's Auxilliary.
- " 18. St. Luke, P.M.: Grace, New Bedford; Fifteenth Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting; Address at the Sunday-School Meeting. Evening: Missionary Service, Dr. Courtney preaching.
- " 19. A.M.: Grace Church, New Bedford; Consecration of the Church; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: presided at and addressed the Missionary Meeting.
- " 20. Evening: St. James's, New Bedford; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 22. 20th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Trinity, Wrentham; preached; afterwards spoke to the pupils of the Sunday School. Evening: Grace, North Attleborough; preached, and confirmed 4.
- " 24. P.M.: Boston; Corporation of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 28. St. Simon and St. Jude, evening: Grace, Oxford; preached.
- " 29. 21st Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Christ Church, Rochdale; preached. Noon: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. P.M.: Mission, Cherry Valley; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them. Evening: St. Matthew's, Worcester; preached.
- " 31. P.M.: Boston; Committee from a Vestry.
- Nov. 1. All Saints', A.M.: Good Shepherd, Dedham; made an address, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Boston; Annual Meeting of the Episcopal Church Association.
- " 2. A.M.: Boston; Trustees of St. Mark's School, Southborough.
- " 3. P.M.: Boston; Meeting of the Episcopal Church Association, also Executive Committee of the City Mission.
- " 5. 22d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Malden; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion; catechised and addressed the Sunday School. P.M.: St. Luke's Mission, Linden; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 6. P.M.: Boston; closing prayers at the Free Church Conference.
- " 7. A.M.: Christ Church, Fitchburg; at the meeting of the Western Convocation, celebrated the Holy Communion. Noon: Presided at the Business Meeting. P.M.: Took part in the meeting for discussion. Evening: Addressed the Missionary Meeting.
- " 8. P.M.: Church Home for Orphans, South Boston; Meeting of the Trustees. Later: Annual Meeting of the Corporation; made an address to the children and friends in the Chapel.

- Nov. 12. 23d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Christ Church, Norwich, Conn.; assisted in the service. Evening: Trinity; assisted.
- " 19. 24th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Trinity, Norwich, Conn.; assisted in the service. Evening: Christ Church, preached. (This breach upon my Diocesan work was made on account of the extreme illness of my Brother, a "beloved physician" of that city. A surgical operation, his only hope, kept him at the very gates of death for ten days; but, in answer to the prayers of a multitude of good people, God gave him back to us again.)
- " 22. P.M.: Boston; Episcopal City Mission Society.
- " 26. 25th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Michael's, Marblehead; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them. Evening: All Saints', Dorchester; preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 27. Evening: Trinity College, Hartford; Committee of the Board of Trustees.
- " 28. A.M.: Trinity College; Meeting of Committee. Later: Meeting of the Corporation of the College. Evening: Boston; Meeting of a Committee of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.
- " 30. Thanksgiving Day and St. Andrew, A.M.: Trinity, Boston; preached.
- Dec. 1. Evening: St. Mark's Mission, Fall River; preached.
- " 2. P.M.: Christ Church, Swansea; preached.
- " 3. 1st Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Ascension, Fall River; preached; confirmed 19, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. John's, Fall River; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 5. P.M.: St. Thomas's, Somerville; Evening Prayer with the Eastern Convocation; afterwards the Business Meeting. Evening: presided at, and addressed, the Missionary Meeting.
- " 6. P.M.: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 10. 2d Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Wellesley College; full service and sermon. P.M.: Conference with some of our communicants in the College. Evening: St. Paul's, Natick; preached.
- " 11. A.M.: Boston; Directors of the Clerical Fund. P.M.: Savin Hill, Boston; married the Rev. John C. Welwood and Miss Alba E. Wall.
- " 12. A.M.: Emmanuel, Boston; Meeting of the Southern Convocation; celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Meeting for essays and discussion.
- " 13. Evening: Grace, New Bedford; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 17. 3d Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Christ Church, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Advent, Boston; preached, confirmed 20, and addressed them.
- " 20. Ember Day, A.M.: St. Anne's, Chelmsford; consecrated the new Parish Church by the name of *All Saints' Church*; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion.

- Dec. 24.** 4th Sunday in Advent, A.M.: St. John the Evangelist's Mission, Hingham; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 25. Christmas Day, A.M.: St. John's, Boston Highlands; preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 27. St. John the Evangelist. P.M.: Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 28. The Innocents, P.M.: Church Home for Orphans, South Boston; preached, and confirmed 7.
- " 31. Sunday after Christmas, A.M.: Christ Church, Hyde Park; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: Trinity, Woburn; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them.

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- Jan. 2.** Evening: "Girls' Friendly Society" House; reception; made a brief address.
- " 3. P.M.: St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston; service and sermon.
- " 4. P.M.: Trinity Chapel, Boston; presided at a Meeting in behalf of the Freedmen's Department of the Woman's Auxillary, and made an address. The valuable co-operation of Professor Binney and Bishop Lyman gave much interest to the meeting.
- " 5. P.M.: Boston; Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.
- " 6. Epiphany, evening: St. Margaret's, Brighton; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 7. 1st Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: Grace, South Boston; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them; the Rev. Dr. Gallaudet interpreted for the benefit of Deaf Mutes, one of whom was confirmed.
- " 9. A.M.: House of the Good Samaritan, Boston; addressed those present, and confirmed 2.
- " 10. Evening: St. Anne's, Boston; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 14. 2d Sunday after Epiphany, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Dedham; celebrated the Holy Communion. Later: Preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. Paul's, Dedham; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 15. A.M.: Boston; Conference of a Clerical Committee.
- " 17. P.M.: St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; address and prayers at the Woman's Auxillary Meeting. Evening: St. Mary's, Dorchester; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 19. Evening: St. John's, East Boston; preached.
- " 20. Evening: Lowell; Conference with a Committee of St. Anne's, Chelmsford.
- " 31. Septuagesima, A.M.: House of Prayer, Lowell; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them. P.M.: St. Anne's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 25, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Lowell; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.

- Jan. 24. A.M.: St. Mark's, Boston; Southern Convocation Meeting, celebrated the Holy Communion. Later: Presided at and addressed meeting for essays and discussion. Evening: St. Peter's, Beverly; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 25. Conversion of St. Paul, evening. St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; preached; confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 26. Sexagesima, A.M.: St. James's, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them. Evening: Ascension, Cambridge; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 29. P.M.: Boston, Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- Feb. 2. The Purification, evening: Reconciliation, Webster; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 4. Quinquagesima, A.M.: St. Matthew's, Worcester; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them. P.M.: St. Matthew's Parish House; addressed the Sunday School. P.M.: All Saints' Chapel, Worcester; Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: All Saints', Worcester; preached; confirmed 27, and addressed them.
- " 6. P.M.: Boston, Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 7. Ash-Wednesday, A.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Trinity, Melrose; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 8. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; presided at and addressed meeting in behalf of the Domestic Department of the Woman's Auxiliary; my Brother the Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory making the chief address of the evening.
- " 9. Evening: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; in the beautiful new church just opened, I confirmed 20, and addressed them, my Brother preaching for me.
- " 11. 1st Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. John's, Arlington; preached; confirmed 13, and addressed them. Evening: Trinity, Boston; presided at, and addressed, a meeting in behalf of the Indian Department of the Woman's Auxiliary; Mr. Herbert Welsh effectively addressing the meeting.
- " 12. A.M.: Boston; Conference with the Examining Chaplains.
- " 13. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; First Sermon in a course for Lent. P.M.: Boston; presided at the Annual Meeting of the New England Divorce Reform League.
- " 15. P.M.: Boston; Committee from a Mission.
- " 18. 2d Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Grace, Salem; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them. Evening: St. Luke's, Chelsea; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 20. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; Second Sermon in the Course. P.M.: Boston; Conference in reference to a Parish debt. Evening: St. James's, West Somerville; preached; confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 22. A.M.: Tremont Temple, Boston; opened with Prayer the National Convention of Law and Order Leagues, and afterwards addressed the Convention. P.M.: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; preached, and confirmed 2.
- " 23. Evening: St. Paul's, Boston; presided at, and addressed, a meet-

ing in behalf of the Foreign Department of the Woman's Auxiliary; Secretary Kimber and the Missionary, Mr. Elliott H. Thomson, making addresses.

- Feb.** 24. Evening: Boston; Meeting for discussing City Mission Work.
- " 25. 3d Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. Matthew's, Boston; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them. P.M.: St. Paul's, Brookline; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them. Evening: Trinity, Boston; presided at, and addressed, a meeting in behalf of the Church Temperance Society; Mr. Robert Graham, the General Secretary, delivering an effective address.
- " 27. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; Third Sermon in the Course. Evening: Boston; address on a moral question.
- " 28. Evening: Emmanuel, Somerville; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- March** 2. Evening: St. Thomas's, Somerville; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 4. 4th Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Church of Our Saviour, Longwood; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: The Evangelists', Boston; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 6. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; Fourth Sermon in the Course.
- " 7. Evening: Emmanuel, Boston; confirmed 23, and addressed them; my Brother preaching for me.
- " 8. P.M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission. Evening: St. Mark's, Boston; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 11. 5th Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them. P.M.: St. James's Chapel, Roxbury; catechised and addressed the Sunday School. P.M.: St. James's Church; preached; confirmed 17, and addressed them.
- " 13. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; Fifth Sermon in the Course. Evening: St. James's, Amesbury; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 15. A.M.: Advent, Boston; opening of the new and grand Church; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. John's, Gloucester; preached; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 16. P.M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the City Mission.
- " 18. Sunday before Easter, A.M.: Christ Church, Waltham; preached. P.M.: Confirmed 9, and addressed them. P.M.: Ascension, Waltham; addressed a Bible class. Evening: preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 20. Tuesday before Easter, noon: St. Paul's, Boston; Sixth Sermon in the course; celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 22. Thursday before Easter, evening: St. John's, Charlestown; preached; confirmed 21, and addressed them.
- " 23. Good Friday, evening: Christ Church, Boston; preached; confirmed 23, and addressed them.
- " 25. Easter Day, A.M.: Grace, Medford; preached; confirmed 4, and addressed them; the Rector celebrating the Holy Communion. P.M.: Mission, Winchester; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

- March 27.** A.M.: Boston; Annual Meeting Episcopal Charitable Society. Evening: Christ Church, Plymouth; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " **28.** A.M.: Boston, Trustees St. Mark's School. Evening: Messiah, Boston; preached; confirmed 33, and addressed them.
- " **29.** A.M.: Boston; Canonical Examination of five candidates for the Diaconate.
- " **30.** Evening Trinity College, Hartford; Meeting of the Corporation.
- April 1.** 1st Sunday after Easter, A.M.: St. Thomas's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 10, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. John's, Taunton; preached; confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " **2.** A.M.: Boston; Committee from a Mission.
- " **4.** P.M.: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: Trinity, Boston; preached; confirmed 25, and addressed them.
- " **5.** Evening: St. Peter's, Cambridge; Sixteenth Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting; preached; confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " **6.** A.M.: Meeting continued; celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Sunday-School Meeting; brief address. Evening: Final Missionary Meeting; closing address.
- " **7.** P.M.: Boston; Committee of Trustees of St. Mark's School.
- " **8.** Second Sunday after Easter, A.M.: St. Thomas's, Methuen; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them. P.M.: Christ Church, Andover; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " **9.** Evening: St. James's, South Groveland; preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " **10.** Evening: St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " **11.** Evening: Trinity, Haverhill; preached; confirmed 3, and addressed them. These were presented by the Rev. Benjamin Judkins, in charge for several months past; the Rector being in Florida on account of the ill health of his wife. Many prayers have been with them, both honored and beloved workers unto the kingdom of God.
- " **12.** Boston; Conference with a Parish Committee.
- " **13.** Evening: Church of the Advent, Boston; preached; confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " **15.** 3d Sunday after Easter, A.M.: St. Mark's School, Southborough; Prayers in the School Chapel. Later: St. Mark's Church; preached; confirmed 8, and addressed them. P.M.: St. John's, Framingham; preached; confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " **16.** P.M.: Mission, Gardner; preached; confirmed 2, presented by the General Missionary, and addressed them. Evening: Christ Church, Fitchburg; preached; confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " **18.** P.M.: Boston: Annual Meeting of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society. Evening: St. John's, Boston Highlands; preached; confirmed 15, and addressed them; two were from St. Luke's Home.
- " **19.** Evening: Emmanuel, Wakefield; preached.

- April 22. 4th Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Chapel of Wellesley College, Wellesley; full service and sermon. P.M.: St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls; preached.
- " 23. P.M.: Boston; Officers of the Massachusetts Church Temperance Society.
- " 24. A.M.: Boston; Clerical Fund Corporation. Later: Directors of the Society for the Relief of the Aged and Infirm Clergy. P.M.: The Annual Meeting of the Society. P.M.: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 25. St. Mark's: Ninety-third Annual Meeting of the Diocesan Convention.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., —

Resolved, That a Special Committee be appointed by the CHAIR to consider the possible legality of the Form for Constitution and By-Laws in the organization of parishes.

The CHAIR appointed the following persons to form said Committee: —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE. FRANCIS J. PARKER.
The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D. JOHN C. ROPES.
ROBERT TRENT PAINE, JUN.

Resolved, That the name of WILLIAM S. GARDNER be added to the above Committee.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD then read the

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR 1882-83.

The Treasurer's statement, accompanying this report, exhibits in detail the receipts and expenditure for the year. The total receipts for the year have been \$12,885.27 from the following sources: —

From parish offerings	\$8,604 53
Individual and special gifts	2,647 79
Special gift towards support of general missionary	1,250 00
Income from Eastburn-Morgan Fund	314 39
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society	35 30
Eastern Convocation	33 26

Total receipts for the year \$12,885 27

Included in receipts from "parish offerings" is the sum of \$15.76, received through the Central Convocation.

The total expenditure for the year has been \$12,819.53 for the following purposes: —

Extinguishment of the debt of the Board for 1881-82	\$621 43
Payment of stipends to parishes and missions	9,726 73
Stipend of general missionary	1,500 00
Expense account of general missionary	454 15

Publication and distribution of "The Diocese"	\$325 90
Expense of missionary meetings	18 50
Christ Church, Medway, for extinguishment of debt	20 67
St. Paul's, Brockton, for extinguishment of debt	40 00
Printing and stationery	57 40
Treasurer's expense account	50 00
Secretary's expense account	3 75
Total expenditure for the year	\$12,819 33

The receipts have been \$65.74 more than the expenditure, and the Board begins the new year with this sum in its treasury.

One hundred and seventeen parishes and missions have contributed 210 offerings to the treasury of the Board, and a total sum of \$4,604.53, as compared with 100 parishes, 165 offerings, and \$3,486.58 the previous year; 103 parishes, 182 offerings, and \$7,503.05 in 1880-81; and 110 parishes, 195 offerings, and \$8,177 68 in 1879-80.

The record for the year shows a larger number of contributing parishes to the treasury of the Board, a larger number of offerings, a larger sum contributed, and, including the stipend of the general missionary, a larger expenditure applied directly and exclusively to the prosecution of missionary work in the Diocese, than in any previous year in the history of the Board.

Forty-one parishes and missions have been aided during the year as follows :—

Amesbury, Arlington, Ashfield, Bridgewater, Brighton, Brockton, Cambridge (Ascension Mission), Chelmsford, Cherry Valley, Clinton, Concord, Danvers, Fall River (St. John's), Framingham, Gloucester, Hingham, Ipswich, Lee, Medway, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Nantucket, Natick, Newton (Messiah), North Attleborough, Otis, Oxford, Peabody, Plymouth, Rochdale, Sheffield, Shelburne Falls, Swansea, Wakefield, Westfield, Weymouth, Wilkinsville, Williamstown, Winchester, Wrentham.

The changes and vacancies occurring during the year in the parishes and missions aided by the Board are as follows :—

Ashfield, St. John's.—Rev. Lewis Green was compelled, by impaired health, to resign his duties as rector for a brief period,—from Dec. 1, 1882, to March 18, 1883; occasional services being held in the mean time by Rev. C. W. Duffield, missionary at Shelburne Falls.

Bridgewater, Trinity, became vacant June 1, 1882, by the resignation of Rev. Joseph Jenks; who was succeeded, Oct. 1, 1882, by Rev. J. Milton Peck.

Brockton, St. Paul's Mission, continued without a settled minister from the retirement of Rev. J. N. Jones, Jan. 31, 1882, until July 1, 1882; when Rev. Samuel Holgkiss assumed charge as missionary of the Board. Regular services were maintained during the vacancy.

Cambridge, Ascension Mission.—Rev. Charles W. Duffield resigned June 1, 1882, to assume charge of the mission at Shelburne Falls. Regular services were held by Rev. Charles P. Parker until Oct. 23, 1882, when Rev. James E. Wilkinson entered upon his duties as missionary in charge.

Cherry Valley Mission remained vacant from the death of Rev. J. H. Waterbury, April 7, 1882, until Aug. 1, 1882, when Rev. Henry Hague assumed charge in connection with the rectorship of St. Matthew's, Worcester.

Concord Mission.—From the commencement of regular services on Nov. 1, 1882, the work has been under the charge of Rev. E. A. Rand.

Gloucester, St. John's, became vacant by the resignation, May 1, 1882, of Rev. W. R. Hooper; who was succeeded, Dec. 1, 1882, by Rev. Charles A. Hayden.

Hingham, Mission of St. John the Evangelist. — Rev. Charles L. Wells entered upon his duties as the first missionary of the Board and resident minister on July 1, 1882.

Plymouth, Christ. — Rev. J. E. Wilkinson resigned Oct. 15, 1882, and immediately thereafter assumed charge of Ascension Mission, Cambridge. Regular services were maintained until Dec. 6, 1882, when Rev. Charles D. Barbour assumed charge as the missionary of the Board.

Shelburne Falls, Emmanuel Mission. — Rev. C. W. Duffield entered upon his duties as the first missionary of the Board and resident minister on June 1, 1882.

Wakefield, Emmanuel Mission, became vacant, July 1, 1882, by the resignation of Rev. Samuel Hodgkiss, and remained vacant until April 6, 1883, when Rev. F. N. Luson succeeded.

Van Deusenville, Trinity, has remained vacant since the death (May 15, 1882) of Rev. D. S. Anderson, rector of St. James, Great Barrington.

Weymouth, Trinity, becomes vacant, May 1, 1883, by the resignation of Rev. J. A. Jerome.

Wilkinsonville, St. John's, and Millbury Mission, united in one cure, became vacant, Nov. 1, 1882, by the resignation of Rev. John S. Ellis; who was succeeded by Rev. John Gregson.

The Rev. JOHN S. BEERS read the following Report of the General Missionary of the Diocese : —

NATICK, April 24, 1883.

TO THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

In making my second annual report, I must repeat much which has been presented in my reports during the year, as this is in some sort a report to the Convention.

In doing my work I have been governed by what seemed to be the demand for explorations and services in the various parts of the Diocese, and my efforts to this time have been about equally divided between the different Convocational fields. The year has been one of hard and almost continuous work, but there has been much of pleasure and encouragement all along.

As would be expected, the magnitude of the work continually grows upon me; and I have to be content with proceeding at what seems a slow rate of progress in view of the constant demand, seeming to neglect some favorable openings as others yet more pressing appear, and as places are visited where it is evident that delay would involve the loss of opportunity.

I have visited or revisited, during the past year, about one hundred and fifteen towns or villages, and have held one or more services in thirty of these. The total number of services which I have held in the mission field is eighty. I have also made ten addresses in behalf of the work of the Board, and have assisted incidentally at services in parish churches, usually where the rectors were assisting me in my services at places near.

I have now become familiar with the larger portion of my field. There are, indeed, about one hundred and seventy towns which I have not yet visited; but twenty-five of these are in care of neighboring clergymen, or have been carefully inquired concerning, of persons familiar with them. Sixty-two others contain less than a thousand persons each (many of them but two hundred or three hundred), and I have general knowledge about them which indicates that they may well be the last visited. This leaves eighty-three.

Fifty of these have less than two thousand population; twenty, from two thousand to three thousand; nine, from three thousand to four thousand; four, from four thousand to five thousand. These are Barnstable, Provincetown, Rockland, and Randolph.

I shall push on and reach these towns as rapidly as possible, and hope to finish the preliminary exploration of the Diocese in a few months more, unless I am detained by further new and pressing work where there is a prospect of permanence. As I have intimated, success in one place often involves delay as to others.

I have celebrated the Holy Communion twenty-three times, and have baptized one hundred and eleven persons, two of whom were adults. Six persons have been confirmed.

A careful examination of my records of families presents the following statistics, which are certainly suggestive enough.

In eighty-five towns and villages I have found 670 families (or parts of families), containing 1,470 persons who were baptized in the Episcopal Church here or abroad. Of these, 680 have been confirmed; and of the confirmed persons, 475 can properly be counted as communicants.

I do not include persons in a number of places which I have visited and looked carefully through, but which will be otherwise reported, as Van

Densenville; or which have since been placed under the charge of other clergymen, as Concord and Medway and the region round about. It has been my endeavor, since the field is much too large for one person to properly care for it, to place families, where possible, under the charge of the nearest rectors.

I have kept no regular record of calls made upon families; but they have occupied certainly all the time that I ought to have given to them, day and evening, and sometimes, of necessity, Sundays also.

In speaking now of results thus far, I desire to say very distinctly that they are not those of my work alone. All the counsel and help of the Bishop, all the moral support that the Board have given, the cordial co-operation and assistance of my brother clergy, and the zealous efforts of lay people residing in the several places, have been utilized to the utmost, and have largely contributed to the good which has been done; while, in every case where clergymen have been secured for new fields, I have been fortunate in the work being carried on by them with devotedness and energy, so as to be more successful than I could have anticipated. My own special advantage has been that I was at leisure for my particular duty, and that I could take a comparative view of a wider field than could any parish minister, and could study any promising field much more carefully than is possible to our Bishop with his heavy and never-ceasing work.

Work which promises to be permanent has been commenced in each Convocation: in the Western, at Shelburne Falls; in the Central, at Gardner; in the Eastern, at Concord; and in the Southern, at Medway and Wareham. I do not speak of the many other undertakings in which I have tried to assist, but in the inception of which I had no share.

The beautiful church at Medway is being most satisfactorily utilized; and it seems certain that in a few months churches or chapels will be erected at Shelburne Falls, Wareham, and Concord. I hope that this will be the case at Gardner also.

The work at all the new places is interesting and hopeful.

Medway was the first formally opened, the time seeming favorable. The excellent clergyman has wrought quietly and diligently, and appears to have demonstrated to that community that there is a place there for our Church and her work.

Very effective work has been done at Concord, and the courage of the people has been strengthened so that they are making every effort to provide a chapel for the use of what has proved to be an attached and reliable congregation.

The history of the work at Shelburne Falls, in Franklin County, has been made public in various ways; but a brief recapitulation of it seems necessary, and cannot but be interesting and encouraging. In December, 1881, I visited there at the suggestion of the Rev. Mr. Finch. Our services were largely attended from the first; and such strong desire was expressed that they be established there, that the Board voted to furnish a certain stipend conditionally on its being met with a certain larger amount by the people there. This was done, and in June the Rev. Charles W. Duffield commenced work there as missionary. On the twenty-second day of September last I had the great pleasure of being present at a visitation of the Bishop, witnessing a Confirmation service, and hearing him announce that a lady had purchased a most eligible lot (300 feet by 100, the best in the village), and proposed to

erect upon it a memorial church of stone, and present it when completed, fully furnished, for the worship of God by the congregation which shall from age to age assemble there. It is understood that the church is to have a chapel attached, and to cost between twenty thousand and thirty thousand dollars. Advice just received indicates that ground has been broken this week. The contract has been given out, and the church is promised for use by Christmas of this year.

Gardner, a growing and flourishing town with a large and highly intelligent population, in the northern part of Worcester County, has had, up to a certain point, a similar history as to church-work, but has not yet secured a chapel. The congregations have nowhere else been as good; and there is not, after several months of work carried on under many disadvantages, any falling-off of interest. The lay reader who officiated there for me last Sunday reports a hall crowded with people, and a delightful service. I have become well acquainted with many families there who declare their intention of taking part in the movement. Others are waiting cautiously to see whether we have "come to stay."

There have been remarkable results from lay work done recently at Wareham, in Plymouth County. I had repeatedly visited the place, and administered baptism, but for good reasons had not held a public service. But just before Lent a devoted layman from the Diocese of Michigan removed thither, and sent to our Bishop a letter of introduction and commendation from his rector, with a request for occasional services. The Bishop sent him a license as lay reader, and advised my going down and conferring with him. I did so, and found that he had caused a little upper room to be inexpensively fitted up as a chapel. Services were held there by me on Ash Wednesday, and arrangements were made for their being held by the gentleman referred to, with occasional visits from some other minister or from me. On Easter Day I visited and officiated there again, and found that the services had been well attended, and that a Sunday school had been organized which numbered over twenty-five scholars. We had delightful Easter services morning and evening, and an Easter Sunday-school festival in the afternoon. A pledge of four hundred and fifty dollars per year towards maintaining services, not representing all that would be given for this purpose, was placed upon the alms-basin. We were all feeling very happy on Easter Monday; when a telegram came announcing the sudden death of a relative of the lay reader, which it was soon seen would probably cause his removal from the place, and, many feared, compel the work to cease. The only way was to stem the backward tide, and turn it onward again if possible, which was successfully done; and by the liberality of many persons residing there, and of summer visitors or residents, there have been pledged an excellent lot for a church, one which also is very desirable for a rectory, and subscriptions sufficient for the erection and equipment of a chapel, while also the salary of a resident clergyman has been nearly or quite provided for. The land is to be conveyed to the Trustees of Donations. It is a further interesting fact, that the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, West Springfield, which had been closed for some years and was in danger of being appropriated to some secular use, has been secured by purchase, taken down, and removed to Wareham, where under its old name, and with even more than its former beauty, it will be again opened for the worship of God.

As I have not yet gone over the whole Diocese, I cannot name with cer-

tainty all the most promising fields; but I can see that in nearly every place where efforts were formerly made and unadvisedly given up, they should be renewed, and that places like Ware, Westborough, Athol, Marlborough, Southbridge, Hinsdale, and many new places which might be named, seem to me to need only persistent work to secure success.

It is my endeavor, until we can do more, to provide as far as I can for the maintenance of occasional services at places where need of them appears, without expense to the Board, by showing the people their own ability, and by enlisting the aid on the one hand of liberal givers, and on the other of clergy who are willing and able to add to their parish work. In no case do I involve the Board in any expense without first obtaining the approval by the Bishop of the proposed work, and then waiting till it has been fully considered in meetings of the Board.

In view of what has been here presented, I cannot but hope that not only may rectors and parishes see more and more the importance and usefulness of the diocesan mission work, but also that there are those who will hear or see this report, to whom a few hundreds of dollars is not a large sum, who will realize the untold blessings which it is in their power to confer by enabling the Board to pledge that a certain sum annually shall be given for a few years to aid in the establishment of missions after full and careful examination has been made by the General Missionary, and his report approved by the Bishop and the Board, who are not in haste to commence unwise undertakings. Think of the joy of feeling that in some town or village congregations are frequently assembled, worshipping God and learning the way of life, enabled to do so by means of the gift of one who recognizes the obligation and the privilege of stewardship.

During the year I have paid some attention to the making secure certain funds originally contributed for the erection of churches at former mission stations, and for kindred purposes. The Athol and Palmer Funds have been made safe so that they can be drawn when needed. One hundred and fifty dollars on account of the Ware Fund has been paid to the Bishop, and the balance of about one hundred and fifty dollars more is to be paid in July. The Wareham Fund is to be used this summer. All others that have been heard of are being duly attended to.

I have had much delightful association during the year with our scattered people, and have been cheered to find in very many a strong love of the Church and her Master, and an undying desire for the services to which they have been accustomed; and I feel more and more that our Church can be successfully extended in this diocese, if only it can be realized at what a small comparative cost great and eternal results can be secured.

Acknowledgment should be made of the abundant hospitality and assistance which I have received from both Clergy and Laity in my visits.

With sincere thanks for the uniform appreciation of my efforts which the members of the Board have shown in many ways, I am

Very respectfully,

JOHN S. BEERS, *General Missionary*.

Resolved, That the Report of the Board of Missions be accepted, and the resolutions appended be adopted.

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY called over the list of parishes, and pledges from each were made as follows : —

Christ, Andover	\$30	Grace, Lawrence	\$100
Advent, Boston	100	St. John's, Lawrence	50
All Saints', Boston	25	Our Saviour, Longwood	150
Emmanuel, Boston	756	St. Paul's, Malden	50
Good Shepherd, Boston	100	St. Michael's, Marblehead	30
Messiah, Boston	100	Trinity, Melrose	25
St. John's (Highlands), Boston	50	St. Paul's, Natick	12
St. John's (Jamaica Plain), Boston	50	Grace, Newton	60
St. Mary's (Dorchester), Boston	40	Messiah, Auburndale	50
St. Mary for Sailors, Boston	10	St. John's, North Adams	30
St. Matthew's, South Boston	10	Grace, Oxford	5
St. Paul's, Boston	1,250	St. Stephen's, Pittsfield	100
Trinity, Boston	1,500	Christ, Rochdale	15
Trinity, Bridgewater	30	Grace, Salem	75
St. Paul's, Brookline	200	St. Peter's, Salem	100
Christ, Cambridge	100	St. Thomas's, Somerville	25
St. James's, Cambridge	35	Christ, Springfield	60
St. Peter's, Cambridge	50	St. Thomas's, Taunton	200
St. Luke's, Chelsea	10	Christ, Waltham	50
Good Shepherd, Clinton	50	Reconciliation, Webster	100
Calvary, Danvers	10	Atonement, Westfield	10
Good Shepherd, Dedham	15	Messiah, Wood's Holl	100
St. Paul's, Dedham	100	All Saints', Worcester	100
Ascension, Fall River	50	St. John's, Wilkinsons ville	25
Christ, Fitchburg	60	St. John's, Arlington	15
St. James's, Greenfield	30	St. Paul's, Brockton	35
St. Andrew's, Hanover	25	St. John's, Fall River	25
Trinity, Haverhill	40	St. Paul's, Peabody	15
St. Paul's, Holyoke	75	St. Matthew's, Worcester	20
Christ, Hyde Park	25	St. John Evangelist, Boston	100
Ascension, Ipswich	10	St. Anne's, Dorchester	15
St. Luke's, Lanesborough	10	St. John's Memorial, Cambridge	100
		Shelburne Falls	20
		The Rev. F. Courtney, S.T.D. . . .	100

The CHAIR appointed the following persons to form a Committee to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary : —

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON.

" JOHN S. BEERS.

" MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.

DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

CHARLES G. SANDERS.

The Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET, Registrar of the Diocese, presented his Annual Report.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH REGISTRAR.

Below a statement is given of the additions to this Department during the past Conventional Year:—

By the Rev. George S. Converse, Secretary of the Standing Committee of this Diocese, a bundle of papers of said Committee from May, 1882, to April, 1883.

The Journal of the Ninety-second Annual Convention of this Diocese, from the reverend Secretary thereof; and, from the secretaries or registrars of their respective Dioceses, Journals for 1882 of Albany, Delaware, Illinois, Kentucky, Georgia (also for 1881), Long Island, Maine, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Northern New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island (also for 1880, 1881), Tennessee (also for 1880 and 1881), Vermont, Western New York, and Wisconsin.

The Rev. George Z. Gray, D.D., Dean of the Faculty, has sent the following: "The Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge, Mass., with Officers and Faculty, Students and Course of Study, Rules and Regulations, 1870, and a copy of similar pamphlets of the next ten years; also Act of Incorporation and By-Laws of the same School; and Consecration of St. John's Memorial Chapel, Nov. 19, A.D. 1869, and the sermon preached on that occasion." John S. Stone, D.D., a Memorial Sermon, Jan. 15, 1882, by the Dean of the Faculty, has been sent by the preacher thereof. He has also sent a Statement of the Trustees of the school named, with the correspondence between them and Mr. Nathan Matthews.

Mrs. Frederic H. Stimpson has contributed to this Department, Journal of the Eastern Diocese for 1832 and 1833. She has also given Journals of the Diocese of New Hampshire for A.D. 1854, 1855, 1858, 1864, and 1871.

An Historical Address and Memorial of St. Andrew's Church, Scituate, Mass., by the Rev. William Henry Brooks, D.D., Sept. 3, A.D. 1882, has been presented by the preacher of the same.

"Our Brethren at Rest," the Memorial Sermon before the Eastern Convocation, Oct. 5, A.D. 1882, by the Rev. Edward L. Drown, was sent by him.

The Hon. James R. Newhall has contributed to this Department a "Memorial of St. Stephen's Church, Lynn, Mass."

"Twenty Years of a Massachusetts Rectorship," a sermon preached in All Saints', Worcester, Mass, by the Rev. William R. Huntington, D.D., came from the preacher.

In the last Annual Report the names of some fifty parishes were given as free from debt. To these should be added the following: St. John's, Fall River; St. Paul's, Holyoke; Christ, Hyde Park; St. John's, Northampton; Christ, Quincy; Emmanuel, Wakefield; and Christ, Waltham.

During the past year nine Parishes have transferred their property to "The Trustees of Donations of this Diocese," — making thirty-six in all.

It may not be amiss to call the attention of the proper persons to this manner of securing Ecclesiastical property from loss or serious diminution.

The later years of the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of this Diocese have been so prospered that it felt bound to ask legal permission to hold real and personal property to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars. This was granted by an Act of the Legislature. Its usefulness will thereby be much increased.

WILLIAM S. BARTLET, *Church Registrar.*

April 25, A.D. 1883.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., presented the Annual Report of the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE INCREASE OF THE
EPISCOPAL FUND.

The Treasurer of the Trustees of Donations reports on Bishop's Fund: —
Amount received for the current Conventional Year (up to Saturday, April 31), from Parishes not giving notes . . . \$1,236 21

The following parishes have contributed this year for the first time: —

North Andover, St. Paul's	\$14 00
Somerville, Emmanuel	33 00
South Boston, Grace	18 00
Van Densenville, Trinity	10 00
West Newton, Messiah	17 50

The following Parishes have contributed nothing since the fund was raised: —

Amherst, Grace.	North Adams, St. Marks.
Brighton, St. Margaret's.	Otis, St. Paul's.
Danvers, Calvary.	Oxford, Grace.
Easthampton, St. Philip's.	Plymouth, Christ.
Fiskdale, Grace.	Rochdale, Christ.
Lincoln, St. Anne's.	South Groveland, St. James's.
Nantucket, St. Paul's.	Westfield, Atonement.
Natick, St. Paul's.	Wrentham, Trinity.

The amount due from these sixteen parishes is \$356.50 on the income account. It is encouraging to compare this deficiency with that reported eight years ago of \$2,600, though in this sum are included the shortcomings of contributing parishes.

Your Committee thus find encouragement in this evidence of progress, though they are humbled that after nineteen years of work so much is yet to be done; and they must repeat the suggestion that the Convention will do well to make a new committee of younger and more zealous men. In view of the insensibility to duty and privilege of these sixteen parishes, — to all of which they have appealed this year, and in vain, — the Committee have addressed themselves to new parishes as they are admitted into Convention, and have put before them the blessed duty and privilege of contributing to the support of their chief pastor, and they suffer the word of exhortation and respond. The Committee must repeat their conviction that the present mode of assessment of parishes is as good a one as can be devised. But little more than one-third of the sum devoted to the Bishop's support is raised in this way; and we are trying to urge the delinquents to do something, to take up contributions twice a year at the very least. There are six hundred and fifty communicants in these parishes, and a contribution of one cent a week from each of them would yield the amount assessed.

In conclusion, your Committee recommend the continuation of their work until it can be reported that every parish is giving, and according to its ability; and we propose a resolution, —

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Convention, every parish should give something towards the support of the chief pastor, and the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund are directed to persevere in their appeals until

a future Convention can be told that every parish is doing its assigned part, and that the Bishop's fund is large enough to provide amply for his support.

GEO. C. SHATTUCK,
In behalf of the Committee.

The Report was accepted, and the resolution appended was adopted.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., presented with the above the Annual Report of the Trustees of Donations.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

To the Ninety-third Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Massachusetts, held at Boston, April 25, 1883.

Subscriptions to the principal of the Bishop's Fund have been received since the last Report, amounting to \$125 38
The present amount of the fund is 93,236 33

The Bishop's salary has been paid *in full*, according to the vote of the last Convention. Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, April 25, 1883.

An application from the Church of the Atonement, Westfield, for a change in the Constitution of said Parish, was referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, from the Massachusetts Church Building Fund, reported as follows: —

The Trustees of the Massachusetts Church Building Fund have no additions to report during the year to the principal of the Fund, amounting to \$1,017.55.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.

The Rev. Dr. BROOKS, Secretary of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, presented the following Report: —

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The Society, in conformity with the requirement of its By-laws, presents to the Diocesan Convention its report for the year 1882-83.

During the year one Annuity member has died; five Annuity and two Lay Life-members have been added; the number of Annual members has not increased; no members have withdrawn.

The present number of members is forty-three, — thirty-two Clerical and eleven Lay. Of the Lay members, eight are Life and three Annual; of the Clerical members, six have removed from the Diocese.

The present market value of the Annuity Fund is \$64,226.42. The cash value of the annuities of the thirty-two contributing Clerical members is about \$35,200; leaving a surplus, over all liabilities, of \$29,026.42. For the year the income of this Fund was \$3,324.52; of which \$2,919.52 came from investments, and \$405 from annual subscriptions.

The sum of \$350 has been paid to the families of deceased clergymen.

The present market value of the Charity Fund is \$37,904. For the year the income of this Fund was \$2,492.39; of which \$2,061.52 came from investments, \$385.97 from church contributions, and \$25 from payments of members.

During the year the sum of \$2,010, from the income of this Fund, has been distributed among the families of ten clergymen deceased.

The total amount of the market value of the Annuity and Charity Funds is \$102,130.42, being \$10,703.10 above their par value, both particulars indicating the very prosperous and most encouraging condition of the money affairs of the Society.

In May last a circular was sent out announcing the election of Mr. Harcourt Amory as Treasurer of the Society, in the place of Mr. Howard Stockton, who, after very faithful and efficient service since July, 1877, declined a re-election to that office; soliciting contributions to the Charity Fund, and inviting the attention of the Clergy of the Diocese to the advantages offered them by the system of life-insurance established under the Annuity Fund.

At the Annual Meeting of the Society in 1882 a Committee was appointed, in behalf of the Society, to petition the Legislature of the Commonwealth for authority for the Society to hold real and personal estate to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, *in addition to* the amount — one hundred thousand dollars — that the Corporation was then authorized to hold.

In February last the Legislature passed an Act granting the desired authority to hold property to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars.

In the Act of Incorporation, granted in 1841, the Society was authorized to hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

In 1872 an Act was passed authorizing the Society to hold real and personal estate to the amount of fifty thousand dollars *in addition to* the amount the Corporation was already authorized to hold.

More than two years after the incorporation of the Society, the whole amount paid into its treasury up to June 13, 1843, when its first Annual Report was presented to the Convention of the Diocese, was \$2,044.60. In that "day of small things" the most enthusiastic and sanguine of its members could not have contemplated, as a reality, a day when the funds of the Society would so increase as to require authority from the Legislature to hold property in amount four times as great as that allowed to be taken and held in its Act of Incorporation.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, that it pleased him to put it into the hearts of his servants to "consecrate their gain unto the Lord, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth," by their generous gifts to this pious work!

At the Annual Meeting of the Society for the present Conventional Year, 1882-83, the fourth section of chapter three of the By-laws, relating to the funds of the Society, was so amended, that hereafter, in cases where Clergymen who have been contributors to the funds of the Society as Contract Annuitants shall have removed from the Diocese, their contributions shall no longer be received, but their widows and children shall be entitled to the same benefits

as if they had not so removed, to the extent and time of the contributions made prior to their removal, *provided* they shall have conformed in other respects to the laws and regulations of the Society.

The appropriations from the Charity Fund are as large in the aggregate as its condition warrants.

If the Churchmen of the Diocese desire that the beneficent work in this department of the Society's labors be enlarged, their desires may be brought to good effect by making contributions, both as parishes and as individuals, for this purpose, and also by individually becoming members for life by the payment of twenty dollars at any one time, or Annual members by the payment of five dollars.

If, in addition to beseeching the good Lord "to provide for the fatherless children, and widows," they will give "much alms to the people" assisted by this Fund, then they may doubt not, but earnestly believe that their "prayer is heard, and their alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God."

Respectfully submitted, in behalf of the Society.

WM. HENRY BROOKS, *Secretary*.

Boston, Mass., April 24, 1883.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., from the Episcopal Clerical Fund, made the following Annual Report of that Society:—

EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND.

The following is presented as the Report of the Clerical Fund Association for the year ending this day:—

Five beneficiaries have been aided during the year at an outlay of \$2,100.

As appears by the Treasurer's account, the financial condition of the Society is as follows:—

Balance from last year	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$822 98
Interest on invested funds	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	673 35
Parochial contributions	646 01
Donations	55 00
Randolph M. Clark Memorial Fund	480 00
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								\$2,677 34
The invested funds now amount to	\$23,200 00

It will be seen from the above statement, that the contributions from parishes have fallen off, from \$892.63 last year, to \$646.01 the present year; showing a decrease of \$246.62. While the income from all sources—exclusive of the balance on hand—has been only \$1,834.36, the outlay has been \$2,100; leaving a diminished balance of only \$564.51 to meet the half-yearly payments now due to the beneficiaries, amounting to \$1,135.

It is evident, therefore, that, unless the contributions from parishes be increased, the Society will be driven to the hard necessity of curtailing the meagre stipends of those who depend on us for the actual necessities of life.

Out of more than a hundred and twenty parishes in the Diocese, only nineteen have contributed any thing in the past year to this most deserving charity. All are able to do something—a little, perhaps, but still something—to help in this good cause; and it is certainly not creditable to us, that only about one parish out of every six has done any thing in behalf of a charity

which appeals so eloquently to every clergyman at least, if not to every layman, of our Church. It is a matter in which all ought to be interested. Even those who do not themselves expect to need its benefits yet ought to feel enough for their less favored brethren, to be willing to make some sacrifices to provide a stay and a solace for those whose period of active labor has passed, and who have been unable to lay by any pecuniary provision for the "sunset of life."

"Whoso hath this world's goods, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?"

JOSEPH H. CLINCH, *Secretary*.

The Rev. FREDERICK B. ALLEN presented the following Annual Report of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions:—

The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions presents its Fifth Annual Report as follows:—

Ninety-six parishes of the Diocese are now actively connected with the work of the Auxiliary. Nine regular monthly meetings have been held at St. Paul's Chapel, with an average representation of thirty-four parishes.

Five public meetings have also been held during the year as follows: Anniversary meeting in October, with sermon by Rev. W. W. Newton of Pittsfield; a meeting in behalf of Domestic Missions, with a sermon by Rt. Rev. J. A. Paddock, D.D., of Washington Territory; a meeting in the interests of Foreign Missions, with addresses by Rev. E. H. Thompson of China and Rev. Joshua Kimber; and two meetings under the auspices of the Dakota League, at which Rt. Rev. T. B. Lyman, D.D., of North Carolina, and Professor Binney of Connecticut, spoke for the Freedmen, and Mr. Herbert Welsh of Philadelphia, for Indian Missions.

The largest work undertaken during the past two years has been the endowment of a bed in the Fannie C. Paddock Memorial Hospital, Washington Territory. This endowment of three thousand dollars is nearly completed.

The Report of the Society, published last October, shows the following results: Money collected and forwarded, \$9,795.63; boxes sent, valued at \$11,187.95: total, \$20,983.57, — an increase of \$4,109.97 over the receipts of the previous year, and nearly double those of the first year of our work.

Respectfully submitted.

LUCY R. WOODS, *Treasurer*.

Boston, April, 1883.

The Rev. ALFRED F. WASHBURN presented the following Report from the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children:—

REPORT OF THE CHURCH HOME FOR ORPHAN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN.

The record of the Church Home, this year, is one of continued usefulness. The number and character of the applications for admission attest the warm appreciation of its value by those whom it seeks to aid; and, if it were double its present capacity, it could readily be filled from the most deserving class, those who have fallen into poverty through misfortune, and not vice.

Nineteen children have been received since the last session of Convention;

of whom five have been baptized by the Rev. Mr. Washburn, acting chaplain during the absence of the Rev. Mr. Wright. Bishop Paddock made his regular annual visitation on Innocents' Day, at which time the friends and patrons of the Home had the pleasure of witnessing the confirmation of seven of the older girls, who have since become regular communicants in the parish church, St. Matthew's. It was an occasion of unusual interest, and will not soon be forgotten by those who were present.

SARAH A. C. BOND, *Secretary*.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES presented the following Report from the Massachusetts Church Missionary Society: —

REPORT OF MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This Society has not engaged in active missionary work during the last year, as since the adoption of the present canon it has co-operated with the Diocesan Board, and contributed to this Board the income of funds with which it is intrusted.

For the administration of various trusts, its organization is maintained. The following officers for the year have been elected: —

President. — JAMES S. AMORY.

Vice-President. — MARTIN L. BRADFORD.

Secretary. — Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.

Treasurer. — STEPHEN G. DEBLOIS.

Executive Committee. — The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL, Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, RUSSELL STURGIS, JUN., CHARLES W. DEXTER.

THOS. F. FALES, *Secretary*.

The Rev. GEORGE S. BENNITT, from the Committee on Qualifications, presented the following Report: —

Committee on Qualifications would respectfully report that they have considered the certificate of Lay Delegates from St. Paul's, Stockbridge; and in accordance with Art. II., Sect. 3, of the Constitution, the delegates of last year are not entitled to seats in this Convention.

For the Committee.

GEORGE S. BENNITT.

Resolved, That the Convention now adjourn, to meet in Trinity Church for Divine Service at nine o'clock A.M. to-morrow.

Adjourned.

NINE O'CLOCK A.M.

Morning Prayer to the Creed was read by the Rev. HENRY HAGUE, and the remainder by the Rev. AUGUSTINE H. AMORY. The Benediction was pronounced by the BISHOP.

At the conclusion of Divine Service the Convention re-assembled in the Chapel of Trinity Church.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion of DANIEL B. HAGAN, Ph.D., —

Resolved, That the calling of the roll be dispensed with.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived (the report on the qualifications of the Clergy to vote in Convention),

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON addressed the Convention at length on that subject. Several other speakers took part in the discussion; when, the hour of eleven o'clock having arrived (the hour for election of the officers of the Diocese), it was

Resolved, That the present order of the day be suspended, and the general order be taken up.

Resolved, That, in the election of a Treasurer of the Convention, balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAHOLD be elected Treasurer.

Resolved, That, in the election of a Registrar of the Diocese, balloting be dispensed with.

Resolved, That the Rev. WILLIAM S. BARTLET be elected Registrar.

The CHAIR nominated the following gentlemen as tellers in the election of Deputies to the General Convention: —

For the Clerical vote: —

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINBLOW.

" D. G. HASKINS, S.T.D.

" JULIUS H. WARD.

For the Lay vote: —

WILLIAM W. DALLINGER.

WALTER C. DUFFEE.

HENRY M. UPHAM.

The following nominations were made: —

By the Rev. W. G. WELLS: —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.

" WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.

" FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D.

ROBERT C. WINTHROP.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

CAUSTEN BROWNE.

EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.

By the Rev. N. G. CHAMBERLAIN: —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.

" WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.

" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

ROBERT C. WINTHROP.

EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

By the Rev. JOHN A. JEROME: —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

" WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.

" R. H. HOWE.

" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

ROBERT C. WINTHROP.

EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.

J. D. W. FARNOW.

By WILLIAM C. LOVERING: —

The Rev. W. R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.

" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.

" GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

" CHARLES AREY, D.D.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.

JOHN C. ROYCE, Esq.

WILLIAM E. VERMILY, M.D.

Ballots were then cast separately by the Clergy and the Laity.

During the absence of the tellers, business was resumed.

The Rev. GEORGE S. BENNITT, from the Committee on Qualifications, made the following additional report : —

Committee on Qualifications report that the Certificate of Lay Delegates from St. Margaret's, Brighton, has been received and found to be correct.

For the Committee.

GEORGE S. BENNITT.

Resolved, That the Delegation from Trinity Church, Weymouth, be allowed to deposit their vote, not having been present when the polls closed.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, Treasurer, presented his Annual Report. (Appendix.)

The Report of the Treasurer was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The House resumed the consideration of the question of the Qualifications of Clergymen to vote in Convention, —

Resolved, That the vote on this subject be taken at half-past twelve o'clock, if not reached before.

The question came up first on the amendment offered by the Rev. D. G. HASKINS, S.T.D., to an amendment offered by the Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON : —

AMENDMENT TO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE II., SECTION 2.

Strike out all after the word "shall," in the 18th line, to the word "that," in the 23d line, and substitute as follows: "within the first six months of said year have submitted to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in writing, either a declaration of his readiness to respond to any call that may be made upon him by that authority for the exercise of the functions of his sacred office, or a statement:" Also, strike out, in the 24th line, the words "has been," and substitute the word "is," so that the entire paragraph beginning at the 17th line would read as follows: "or (b), That, having been canonically resident for the entire year preceding the session of the Convention, he shall, within the first six months of said year, have submitted to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in writing, either a declaration of his readiness to respond to any call that may be made upon him by that authority, for the exercise of the functions of his sacred office, or a statement, that by reason of age, ill health, or other like infirmity, he is unable to discharge the same. And all other clergymen, canonically resident in this Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership of this Convention, except the right to vote."

Respectfully submitted.

DAVID GREENE HASKINS.

Which was lost.

The question then came up on the amendment of the Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON as follows : —

After the words "within this Diocese" (line 22), "in some parish Church or Mission, or in one of the various capacities mentioned in sub-section (a), in the performance of the public functions pertaining to his sacred office."

Which was passed.

The following amendment was offered by the Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D. : —

That the words "General Convention" be substituted for the words "General Church of the United States."

The amendment was adopted.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS offered the following amendment : —

To strike out all after the word "provided" (line 3), and insert, instead, the words, "has been canonically resident for the entire year preceding the session of the Convention."

The amendment was lost.

A motion by CAUSTEN BROWNE, to reconsider the resolution appointing half-past twelve o'clock for closing the debate on the matter before the House, on motion, was lost.

The question then came up upon the passage of the original amendment of the Constitution offered by the Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON. The vote resulted as follows : —

<i>Clerical.</i>						<i>Lay.</i>					
Aye	71	Aye
No	11	No
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The Report of the Committee was adopted, and stands over for action at the next Convention. As amended, it reads as follows : —

ARTICLE II.

SECT. 2. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop shall each have a seat and vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Convention, *provided*

(a) That he has been canonically resident for at least three months next preceding the session of the Convention, and has been during that period regularly and canonically engaged in the discharge of the duties of his office, either as Rector, Minister-in-charge, Assistant Minister, or Missionary of some Parish, Church, or Mission of this Diocese, or as Head, Chaplain, or Teacher in some incorporated Institution of learning, benevolence, or discipline, within the limits of the same, and performing clerical functions, or as Chaplain of the Army or Navy of the United States, performing duty within this Diocese, or as a general Missionary of the Diocese, or as Registrar of the Diocese, or as an

agent of the Board of Missions, or as holding some appointment under the institutions of the General Convention.

Or (b). That, having been canonically resident for the entire year preceding the session of the Convention, he shall, not less than three weeks prior to said session, have submitted to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in writing (subject to the final judgment of the Convention, according to Sect. 4 of this Article), reasonable and sufficient evidence that, during the greater part of the year, he has been actually engaged, within this Diocese, (in some Parish, Church, or Mission, or in one of the various capacities mentioned in sub-section (a)) in the performance of the public functions pertaining to his sacred office, or that, by reason of age or physical disability, he has been unable to discharge the same, or that he has, during an aggregate of thirty years, performed some one or more of the duties above described. And all other Clergymen, canonically resident in this Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership of this Convention, except the right to vote.

The Rev. W. C. WINSLOW, from the tellers to collect and count the Clerical votes for Deputies to the General Convention, reported that the Convention has made choice of the following : —

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.	EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.
" GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	

HENRY M. UPHAM, from the tellers of the Lay vote for Deputies to the General Convention, reported that the Lay Delegates have made choice of the following : —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	

The following, therefore, have been elected in concurrence : —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.
" WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	

And there is one vacancy of a Lay Deputy.

Resolved, That balloting be dispensed with, and that the Hon. E. L. DAVIS, having the highest number of votes, be declared elected.

CAUSTEN BROWNE having been also nominated to fill the same vacancy, it was

Resolved, That the suspension of the rule requiring a vote by ballot be reconsidered.

The House then proceeded to vote for a Lay Deputy to the General Convention.

The CHAIR appointed the same tellers as before to collect and count the votes.

Resolved, That the House now take a recess till three o'clock P.M.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Rev. W. C. WINSLOW, from the tellers of the Clerical vote for a Lay Deputy to the General Convention, reported that the Clergy had elected the Hon. E. L. DAVIS.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., in the absence of HENRY M. UPHAM, Chairman of the Committee to count the Lay vote, reported that the Lay Delegates had also elected the Hon. EDWARD L. DAVIS.

The Hon. EDWARD L. DAVIS is therefore elected in concurrence, and the list of Deputies to the General Convention is full.

The House then proceeded to the election of Substitute Deputies to the General Convention.

The CHAIR appointed as tellers on the Clerical vote, —

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW,
 " A. C. A. HALL, and
 " CHARLES L. SHORT.

Tellers of the Lay vote, —

HENRY M. UPHAM.
 J. MORTON CLINCH.
 ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, M.D.

The Rev. Dean GRAY nominated, —

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.	FRANCIS J. PARKER.
" HENRY F. ALLEN.	ALEXANDER H. RICE.
" EDWARD L. DROWN.	JOHN B. STEBBINS.
" CHARLES AREY, D.D.	JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS nominated, —

The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN.	JOHN B. STEBBINS.
" EDWARD L. DROWN.	CAUSTEN BROWNE.
" CHARLES AREY, D.D.	ALEXANDER H. RICE.
" ARTHUR C. A. HALL.	JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

Judge GARDNER proposed an alteration in the Form of Constitution and By-Laws for organizing new Parishes: —

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to any alleged illegality in the Form of Constitution and By-Laws for

organizing new Parishes, recommended by the Convention, respectfully report, —

That they recommend that Section 1 of the By-Laws be amended by striking out all of the first sentence after the word "appoint," so that the section shall read as follows:—

"Section 1. The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter Week, in the church, chapel, place of worship, or such place as the wardens may appoint. Notice of this meeting shall be posted seven days prior thereto on the church door, and given from the chancel on the Sunday previous by the clergyman officiating. All meetings shall be opened with prayer."

That Sect. 2 be amended by striking out, in the first sentence, all after the word "Parish."

That the following be inserted as

"Sect. 3. Nothing acted upon at a meeting shall have any legal operation unless the subject matter thereof was inserted in the warrant for such meeting." [Pub. Statutes, chap. 38, sect. 12.]

That the following sections be numbered 4, 5, 6, etc.

That the words "by ballot" be added to the present Sect. 3.

That Sect. 5 (present number) be amended by striking out the clause, "Any vacancies may be filled by the Vestry."

That a committee be appointed to revise the Form for Constitution and By-Laws, and report thereon at the next meeting of the Convention.

GEORGE S. CONVERSE, FREDERICK COURTNEY, FRANCIS J. PARKER, ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN., JOHN C. ROPES, W. S. GARDNER,	}	Committee.
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The Report was accepted, and the resolutions appended adopted.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, D.D., presented the following Report of the Committee on Printing:—

The Committee on Printing would respectfully report that the Journal of the Convention was printed under their direction, at, it is believed, an economical price.

Five thousand copies of the Bishop's Annual Address were printed, also twelve hundred copies of a pamphlet containing the Reports of the Committee on Tenure of Church Property, of the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, and of the Episcopal Church Association, which were duly distributed.

JOSEPH JENKS, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. BROOKS also offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing consist of the Rev. Joseph Jenks, and the secretaries of the Convention; and that the Journal be printed under the direction of the Committee on Printing.

The Rev. Dr. Brooks also presented the Annual Report of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents:—

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

St. Luke's Home for Convalescents has during the last year sheltered 307 poor women, the most of whom were restored to health and usefulness, and rendered able to return to their avocations. Through the unfaltering liberality of kind and charitable friends, to whom the duty was a pleasure, it has had the means to do the work, and also to add something to the foundation of a permanent fund. It owns its commodious building at No. 149 Roxbury Street, and is free of debt. Great credit is due to the lady managers and the matron, for the excellent manner in which the work of the Home is carried on; and the Trustees hope, that with God's blessing and the help of the Church, the institution may continue its career of usefulness, and be liberally sustained, if not enlarged.

The Rev. Dr. Brooks also presented the Annual Report of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society:—

REPORT OF THE MARGARET COFFIN PRAYER-BOOK SOCIETY TO THE DIOCESAN CONVENTION.

APRIL 25, 1883.

The Society's record for the past year has been one of increased usefulness, as evinced by the larger number of books given away in this and other Dioceses. It has distributed gratuitously 1,925 prayer-books and 1,243 hymnals: viz., in Massachusetts, 1,454 prayer-books and 1,037 hymnals; in Maine, 50 prayer-books and 50 hymnals; in Virginia, 55 prayer-books, in Ohio, 55 prayer-books and 25 hymnals; in Iowa, 20 prayer-books and 20 hymnals; in Nebraska, 50 prayer-books and 35 hymnals; in North Carolina, 25 prayer-books; in United States Navy and for ships, 90 prayer-books and 5 hymnals; a total of 3,168 volumes.

The Permanent Fund remains at \$12,500, securely invested.

The receipts (including balance from last year of \$68.68) have been \$1,449.25.

Disbursements.

For printing and binding prayer-books	\$537 55
purchase of prayer-books (500)	100 00
purchase of 1,000 hymnals	240 00
insurance, \$8; receipt-book, \$3.25	10 25
Balance to new account	561 45

\$1,449 25

The annual service was held at St. Paul's Church on Sexagesima Sunday evening, Jan. 28; and an excellent sermon was preached by the Rector, the Rev. Dr. Courtney, for which the Society is much indebted to him.

Besides the offertory at St. Paul's of \$51.57, offerings of \$35.00 from All Saints', Worcester, and \$12.00 from Christ Church, Cambridge, are gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD N. PERKINS, Clerk.

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE presented the Annual Report of the Church Temperance Society : —

The Massachusetts Branch of the Church Temperance Society respectfully presents this its first Annual Report.

In his Annual Address before the Convention of 1881, the Bishop of the Diocese called attention to the existence of a General Church Temperance Society in this country, formed on the basis of the Church-of-England Temperance Society; and urged that some action be taken towards the promotion of temperance on that basis.

A committee was appointed; and resolutions were offered by it, and passed by the Convention, expressing interest in the General Society and cordial approval of their work, and recommending to the Rectors of Parishes throughout the Diocese that they interest themselves in the establishment of parochial societies in harmony with the principles set forth by the Church Temperance Society.

In Advent, 1881, the Bishop issued a pastoral letter calling attention to these resolutions.

The Eastern Convocation also formally approved the methods and objects, and took action looking towards the formation of a Convocational Society, if a Diocesan Society were not soon organized.

In January, 1882, the subject was brought before the Clerical Association in Boston; and at a meeting held in the Church Rooms the methods and objects received cordial approval.

On the evening of the first day of the Diocesan Convention of 1882, a public meeting was held in Trinity Chapel, at which addresses on the subject were made by Mr. Robert Graham, the General Secretary, and others.

At that same Convention a committee was appointed, and resolutions were offered by it, and passed by the Convention, "welcoming the formation both of a Diocesan Branch of the General Society and of local societies, whenever, in the judgment of the Rector of the Parish, such a course may seem practicable."

On the second day of the Convention, May 11, 1882, at a meeting of about fifty Clerical and Lay Deputies in the Parish Room of Trinity Church, the Massachusetts Branch of the Church Temperance Society was organized, and the manual put forth by the Central Society in New York was adopted as the Constitution of this Branch until otherwise ordered.

At other meetings during this year the organization has been completed; the Bishop of the Diocese being, *ex officio*, President of the Society.

The basis of association is that of the General Society, — "union and co-operation on equal terms, for the promotion of temperance, between those who use moderately, and those who entirely abstain from, intoxicating drinks as beverages."

This Branch was represented by a delegate at a meeting of the General Society in New York, in October, 1882.

The number of members are now, Clerical, 54; Lay, 28, — total, 82.

But the Society was formed for temperance *work*. It is in the Parishes and through the parochial societies that the work must be done. The Society has looked and still looks for the active co-operation of Rectors and people in this line of action; and it is here that we regret that so meagre a report must be given to the Convention.

The number of parochial Church Temperance Societies is but seven. The total number of members is adults, 245, juveniles 40. The Society must add to these figures this expression of its mind.

In view of the facts that the Bishop has in his Annual Address and Pastoral Letter urged the subject, that the basis and methods have received the cordial approval by vote of Convention twice, of the Eastern Convocation, and the Clerical Association; in view of the facts that fifty-four Clergymen, most of them Rectors of Parishes, are members of the Society; that the General Secretary has visited and spoken in a large number of our Parishes; that many citizens outside the Church have expressed their interest in the work, and approval of its basis, — the Society deeply regrets that so little real active work has been done throughout the Diocese, and is at a loss to account for it. We do not and will not believe that it is because clergy and people do not realize the terrible evils of intemperance in our State, and the pressing demand for some positive effort in behalf of temperance. We hope it is because they feel so great a responsibility that they would carefully study the ground and plan before moving, in order that they may move wisely as well as positively. With that hope, the Society looks for larger results another year.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE, *Secretary*.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN presented the following report from the Committee on Episcopal Church Rooms: —

The Committee on securing a suitable building in the city of Boston for Diocesan purposes again call the attention of Churchmen to the ever-increasing need of such a building.

The Committee, however, have become convinced that if any thing is accomplished it can be done only by persons who have the leisure to explain the project, and personally to solicit contributions.

It cannot be done by circulars and appeals in newspapers. Enthusiastic persons must make it their special business, and must have an acquaintance with a considerable number of those who have the ability to aid.

This work involves the collection of a fund of from \$25,000 to \$60,000, and perhaps even more.

Believing that a committee can be formed of persons who have the time, and such qualifications as would insure success, the present Committee believe it to be their duty to recommend that the work in question be transferred to other hands.

They beg to submit the following resolutions: —

Resolved (1), That the Treasurer of the Convention be authorized to pay to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Church Association the sum of \$400, towards the maintenance of the present Church Rooms.

Resolved (2), That the Bishop be requested to appoint, at his convenience, a Committee of five, to whom shall be intrusted the collection of a fund for a Diocesan House.

For the Committee.

G. W. SHINN, *Chairman*.

The report was accepted, and the appended resolutions adopted.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, from the Executive Committee, presented the following Report: —

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee recommend that the opening services of the next Annual Convention be held in Trinity Church, Boston, on the fifth Wednesday after Easter, 1884, and that the business sessions be held in Trinity Chapel. They nominated as preacher the substitute appointed for this Convention, the Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall, and for substitute the Rev. Frederick Courtney, S.T.D.

THOS. F. FALES.

CHAS. J. PALMER.

J. MORTON CLINCH, from the Finance Committee, presented the following Report: —

The Committee on Finance beg to report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the past year, and find them correct and properly vouched for.

They also recommend that the assessment for the coming year be laid at one and one-half per cent of the rector's salary of the respective parishes.

CHAS. W. DUFFIELD.

J. MORTON CLINCH.

The Report was accepted, and the recommendation contained therein was adopted.

ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, M.D., from the Episcopal Church Association, presented the following Report: —

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

During the past year about one hundred and eighty meetings of Church organizations, Societies, and Committees, have been held at the Rooms; and more than one hundred names of Clergymen of other Dioceses have been entered on the register.

The Treasurer has succeeded, by means of printed circulars and appeals, in obtaining a sum, which, added to the amount usually appropriated by the Convention, will be sufficient to meet the expenses for the present year.

The rooms in Hamilton Place seem to answer admirably the purposes for which they are intended, and serve to facilitate the various branches of church-work.

The projected new building, which should be wholly devoted to the interests of the Church, seems as far from realization as ever.

Would it not be more practical to concentrate our energies in an attempt to secure a fund, the income from which shall be available for the support of the present rooms? Such an income, even though small at first, would be a help. Of greater importance is the principle involved, that of placing the finances of the Association on a firmer basis. Should this suggestion meet with favor, the principal of such a fund could still be utilized to defray the expenses of construction of a new building, when, at some future time, it shall be thought best.

At the adjourned Annual Meeting, held Nov. 3, 1882, the following officers were elected: —

Honorary President. — The Right Rev. BISHOP of the Diocese.

President. — ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.

Vice-Presidents. — JOSEPH S. FAY, GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

Clerk. — HENRY M. UPHAM.

Treasurer. — ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, M.D.

Directors. — WILLIAM C. LOVERING, CHARLES G. SAUNDERS, JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, HENRY S. CHASE, A. J. C. SOWDON, JOHN H. STURGE.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board of Directors.

ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, April 20, 1883.

The CHAIR appointed as a Committee on the Episcopal Church Rooms, —

The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D. ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.

“ GEORGE W. SHINN. ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, M.D.

FRANCIS C. FOSTER.

The Rev. E. M. GUSHEE, from the Committee on Constitution and Canons, presented the following Report: —

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the request of the Parish of the Atonement, Westfield, to substitute for their present Constitution a proposed Constitution, corresponding to the Constitution and By-Laws recommended by the Convention, having examined the proposed Constitution, and finding it as represented, recommend the following resolution: —

Resolved, That this Convention hereby approves of the Constitution and By-Laws which the Parish of the Atonement desires to substitute for their present Constitution.

For the Committee.

EDWARD M. GUSHEE.

The report was accepted, and permission given to the Parish at Westfield to change its Constitution, on condition that the Constitution and By-Laws be made to conform to the changes made in the form recommended by the Convention at the present session.

On motion of the Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, —

Resolved, That the members of the Convention be invited to make pledges for the extinction of the present debt of the Diocesan Missionary Board.

The invitation was made, with the result of pledges from several members of the Convention, amounting to \$485.

ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN., made a statement in reference to the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

A preamble and resolution were offered by the Rev. GEORGE W.

SHINN in reference to the approaching tenth anniversary of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE also offered a preamble and resolution on the same subject.

Both were accepted by the House; and it was unanimously resolved, by a rising vote, that they should be incorporated, and appear together on the pages of the Journal.

Whereas, It is now nearly ten years since the Bishop of the Diocese entered upon his work of supervising the interests of the Church in this Diocese; and,

Whereas, It is befitting that some public acknowledgment be made by this Convention, of the blessings which Almighty God has bestowed upon the Diocese in this period, and of the fidelity with which the Diocesan has discharged the many duties which have become his:

This Convention, reflecting, as we are sure it does, the sentiment of this whole Diocese, in view of the fact that we are approaching the expiration of the tenth year of the Episcopate of our respected and beloved Diocesan, desires to express to him, and put on record in the Journal of this Convention, our grateful appreciation of the distinguished service, the constant devotion, and the indefatigable labor which has characterized his Episcopate, and has endeared him to us all.

Remembering how firmly established, in this our honored Commonwealth, are religious opinions and politics differing more or less radically from our own, and the conscientiousness and ability with which such convictions are maintained and defended, we can but attribute the prosperity and relative increase of our own communion during the past ten years, very largely, under God, to the wisdom, piety, and faithfulness of the Chief Pastor, who has labored so earnestly, and administered so lovingly and well.

This Convention takes this opportunity to assure our Right Reverend Father in God of the abiding respect and affection which we entertain for him, of our appreciation of the laboriousness incident to his many engagements, to the increase of which he has referred in his address this year, and of our desire to render him all the sympathy, co-operation, and assistance in our power. We pray that God may long bless his life and work, granting him health and prosperity and every heavenly gift.

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to confer with the Bishop as to the holding of a commemorative service on the tenth anniversary of his consecration to the Episcopate.

On motion of the Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D., —

Resolved, That, in the Order of Business for the second day of the Convention, Rule XIII. — the election of Standing Committee of the Diocese — come before the election of Deputies to the General Convention, thus changing Sects. 3 and 4.

The CHAIR appointed the following committee to nominate members of the Diocesan Board of Missions: —

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE.
 " CHARLES A. RAND,

JOSEPH BURNETT.
 FRANCIS C. FOSTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, from the tellers of the Clerical vote for substitute Deputies to the General Convention, reported that the Clergy had made choice of the following : —

The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN.
 " CHARLES ARRY, D.D.
 " EDWARD L. DROWN.

JOHN B. STEBBINS.
 ALEXANDER H. RICE.
 JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

HENRY M. UPHAM, from the tellers of the Lay vote, reported that the Laity had chosen the following : —

The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN.
 " CHARLES ARRY, D.D.
 " EDWARD L. DROWN.
 " A. C. A. HALL.

JOHN B. STEBBINS.
 JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
 ALEXANDER H. RICE.
 CAUSTEN BROWNE.

There are therefore elected in concurrence the following : —

The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN.
 " CHARLES ARRY, D.D.
 " EDWARD L. DROWN.

JOHN B. STEBBINS.
 ALEXANDER H. RICE.
 JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

And there is one vacancy in the Clerical, and one in the Lay Deputies.

Resolved, On motion of the Rev. Dr. COURTNEY, that the rule requiring election by ballot be suspended.

CAUSTEN BROWNE nominated FRANCIS J. PARKER to fill the vacancy in the Lay Deputies, who was elected.

The Rev. Dean GRAY nominated the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES to fill the vacancy in the Clerical list.

The Rev. Dr. COURTNEY nominated the Rev. A. C. A. HALL.

HENRY R. TURNER nominated the Rev. Dr. COURTNEY.

The House agreed to the election of the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES as a substitute Clerical Deputy.

The list of substitute Deputies is therefore full, and consists of the following : —

The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN.
 " CHARLES ARRY, D.D.
 " EDWARD L. DROWN.
 " THOMAS F. FALES.

JOHN B. STEBBINS.
 JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
 ALEXANDER H. RICE.
 FRANCIS J. PARKER.

Resolved, That, in filling vacancies in the Deputation to the General Convention, substitutes shall be taken in the order of the dates of their election.

JOHN C. ROPES nominated for the Standing Committee, —

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.

" GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

" PERCY BROWNE.

" CHARLES H. LEAROYD.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

JOHN B. STEBBINS.

WILLIAM S. GARDNER.

CLEMENT HUGH HILL.

The Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D., nominated, —

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.

" GEORGE CONVERSE.

" FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D.

" PERCY BROWNE.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

WILLIAM S. GARDNER.

ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

The Rev. A. E. JOHNSON nominated, —

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.

" GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

" HENRY F. ALLEN.

" EDWARD L. DROWN.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

WILLIAM S. GARDNER.

CLEMENT H. HILL.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.

The CHAIR appointed as tellers, —

CLERICAL.

The Rev. JAMES M. HILLYAR.

" EDWARD A. RAND.

" JOHN C. BROOKS.

LAY.

H. N. WAKEMAN.

WILLIAM H. BERRY.

HENRY HYDE SMITH.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW offered a report of the Free Church Association.

The above-named association not being an organization recognized by the Convention, the Report could be received only by a vote of that body.

On motion of EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M.D., —

Resolved, That the Report of the Free Church Association be received.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW moved that the Report be printed in the Journal.

The resolution was carried, — ayes, 37; noes, 12.

The Report is as follows: —

THE FREE CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

The Free Church Association, Massachusetts Branch, established in November, 1881, legally organized early in 1882, has been in active operation about fifteen months, and respectfully submits to the Convention its first report. Membership 108, both Clerical and Lay, besides a large list of influential indorsers of the objects of the Association. Officers: George C. Shattuck, M.D., *President*; the Rev. George P. Huntington, *Vice-President*; the Rev. W. C. Winslow, 429 Beacon Street, Boston, *Secretary*; J. Wells Clarke, 13 Exchange Street, Boston, *Treasurer*; Joseph Burnett, A. J. C. Sowdon, J. D. W. French, the Revs. R. H. Howe and S. U. Shearman, *Directors*.

At the annual meeting on Nov. 6, and a special meeting on Jan. 8, largely attended, spirited addresses were made by prominent Clergy and Laity. The Southern Convocation at St. Mark's Church, Boston, on Jan. 23, and the Eastern Convocation at St. John's Church, Lawrence, on Jan. 30, took the subjects of Free Churches and the Offertory for topics to present in the form of public addresses, the audiences being large and deeply interested.

The sermon of Bishop Huntington at the inauguration of the Association, on "God's House Open to God's Children," and that of Bishop Niles at the anniversary, on "God's House," have been published for general circulation. Some two thousand tracts and sermons, issued by the parent Association in Philadelphia, have been circulated. Of the one hundred and nineteen churches in the list of the last Journal of Convention, sixty-one are free, several more are substantially free; others provide many free sittings, or hold services when all the seats are free. Out of twenty-two places of worship in Boston, thirteen are now free churches or chapels. Among the churches recently made free are St. Mark's, Boston; St. Peter's, Cambridge; St. John's, Lawrence; and the Messiah, Wood's Holl.

The objects of the Association are: (1) to advocate the freedom of all seats in churches; (2) to promote the abandonment of the sale and rental of pews and sittings, and, in place thereof, the adoption of the principle of systematic free-will offerings by all the worshippers in our churches, according to their ability; (3) to promote the recognition of the Offertory as an act of Christian worship, and as a Scriptural means of raising money for pious and charitable uses.

The members of this Association consist of such persons as assent, in writing, to one or more of the objects of the Association, and pay not less than one dollar annually into the treasury of the Association; connection with a pewed church, or the fact of deriving income from pew rents, not being inconsistent with membership.

Respectfully submitted, for the Executive Committee,

WM. C. WINSLOW, *Secretary*.

Boston, April 24, 1883.

The Rev. J. C. BROOKS, from the tellers of the Clerical vote for a Standing Committee, reported that the following Clergymen had been elected by the Clerical vote:—

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" PERCY BROWNE.	EDWARD L. DAVIS.

HENRY HYDE SMITH, from the tellers of the Lay vote, reported that the Laity had made choice of the following:—

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" PERCY BROWNE.	EDWARD L. DAVIS.

The following are therefore elected in concurrence:—

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" PERCY BROWNE.	EDWARD L. DAVIS.

Resolved, That, in the election of the remaining members of a Standing Committee, the rule requiring elections to be by ballot be suspended.

Resolved, That the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., and CLEMENT H. HILL be declared elected as the remaining members of the Standing Committee.

The CHAIR appointed the following persons to be a Committee, on the resolution of the Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, on the tenth anniversary of the BISHOP's consecration : —

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" GEORGE W. SHINN.	JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
" EDWARD M. GUSHER.	

On motion of the Rev. Leighton Parks, —

Resolved, Strike out the last clause of Rule of Order 14, and insert, " The Secretary of the Convention shall cause to be printed, and distributed among the members of the Session, before the hour for election, two (2) printed ballots, as follows: The first shall be headed, ' Standing Committee elected by the preceding Convention;' then shall follow the names of the members of said Standing Committee.

" The second shall be headed, ' Deputies to the General Convention elected by the preceding Convention;' then shall follow the names of such Deputies and substitutes. And this second ticket shall be presented to that Convention only when such election would be in order.

" And in each ballot there shall be, after the printed names, a blank space, not less than the amount of space occupied by the printed matter in each ticket."

The Rev. W. W. NEWTON moved that this Convention hereby recommend its Delegates to the General Convention to ask from the House of Bishops the appointment of a Standing Commission upon Church Unity, according to the spirit and the purpose of the memorial movement of the late Dr. MUHLENBERG.

The Rev. A. E. JOHNSON, from the Committee to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, proposed the following list of names : —

Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D.	Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS.
" NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D.D.	" MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
" THOMAS F. FALES.	" JOHN MILTON PECK.
" CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.	" EMELIUS W. SMITH.
" LEANDER C. MANCHESTER.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON.	JOHN BLISS STEBBINS.
" HENRY F. ALLEN.	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" CHARLES ARRY, D.D.	JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
" EDWARD L. DROWN.	DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

For the Committee.

ALFRED E. JOHNSON, *Chairman*.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, from the Committee to nominate members of the Diocesan Board of Missions, made the following Report:—

To serve four years on the Diocesan Board of Missions:—

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.

ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.

" WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Chairman*.

A. V. G. ALLEN.

C. A. RAND.

F. C. FOSTER.

Resolved, That the rule requiring elections to be by ballot be suspended, and that the four persons nominated by the Committee be declared elected.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund be re-elected.

Resolved, That the Committee on Hospitality be re-elected.

On motion of Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, —

Resolved, That five hundred copies of the Constitution and Canons be printed, and placed in charge of the Secretaries of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, —

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the authorities of Trinity Church, and to the Committee on Hospitality, whose kindness has contributed so amply to the comfort and convenience of the members of this body.

On motion of the Rev. FREDERICK B. ALLEN, —

Resolved, That, in printing the Report of the Free Church Association, this Convention does not commit itself to all the objects or methods therein advocated.

Resolved, That the vote on the resolution of the Rev. W. W. NEWTON be reconsidered.

That gentleman then offered the following resolution, which was adopted:—

Resolved, That the Deputies to the General Convention be requested to urge upon the General Convention the great importance of doing whatever may be possible, on the part of this Church, to promote the unity of the Christian people of this country.

On motion of ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN., —

Resolved, That the Diocesan Board of Missions be directed to consider the propriety of their incorporation, with power to cause themselves to be incorporated, if in their judgment such action be wise, and to report to the next Convention.

On motion of CHARLES G. SANDERS, —

Resolved, That Sect. 5 of Canon II., Title 1, be referred to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, to report at the next Convention whether or not such Section may be so amended as to facilitate the business of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE, —

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider, and report at the next meeting of the Convention, upon the relation of the Church in Massachusetts to the colored population.

The BISHOP appointed the following Committee : —

The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE.
 " WILLIAM W. NEWTON.
 " CHARLES H. LEAROYD.

HENRY W. NELSON.
 CHARLES G. SANDERS.

The Rev. W. H. MUNROE, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, made the following report : —

The Committee respectfully report that there appears to be no unfinished business remaining over from the last Convention, unless that which is indicated by the passage of the following vote last year : —

" *Resolved*, That the filling of vacancies in the Deputies to the General Convention be postponed," — be considered of that character.

WILLIAM H. MUNROE.
 GEORGE C. TATE.
 HOWARD N. WAKEMAN.

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes, and the usual devotional exercises, the Convention adjourn.

The minutes were read, amended, and approved.

After prayer and benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,
Bishop of Massachusetts.
 JOSEPH H. CLINCH,
Secretary.
 WM. HENRY BROOKS,
Assistant Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

EXTRACT

FROM THE

Canon of the General Convention of 1853.

*Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of
the Church from time to time.*

SECTION 1. — As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every minister of this Church, or, if the Parish be vacant, the wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the president of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his Parish or Church; also the state and condition of the Sunday schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the communion alms, the contributions for missions (diocesan, domestic, and foreign), for parochial schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other clergyman not regularly settled in any Parish or Church shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in the Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, ADAMS.

The Rev. HENRY HERBERT SMYTHE, *Rector*.

JOHN S. ADAMS and LAWRENCE HAWORTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 10; total added, 13; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 45. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$32,000; sittings, 300. Chapel: Sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$32,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$28 87. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory and collections in church, \$105.84; pew rents, \$1,215.58; subscriptions, \$700; other sources, \$17; total, \$2,083.42. Sunday school, \$62.45. Other parochial objects: Christmas festival, \$97.00; Ladies' Parish Aid Society, \$52.52. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,279.26.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Foreign missions, \$3.05. Total for missionary contributions, \$13.05.

Total of contributions, \$2,307.81.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, AMESBURY.

The Rev. ARTHUR WELLESLEY CHAPMAN, *Rector*.

JOSEPH PITCHFORTH and FRANK C. PEARSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 4; total, 18. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 17; total added, 25; died, 2; removed, 7; total lost, 9; present number, 111. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 70. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 240. School building: Value, \$700. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,700; \$4,000, as per last year's report, being a fund for a parsonage, established by Dr. Dorr, to remain on interest.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion and Lenten services, \$15. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections

in church, \$265.78; pew rents, \$338; subscriptions and donations for repairs and other immediate necessities, \$300; total, \$903.78. Gifts and donations for the benefit of the Sunday school, \$88.05; Young People's Literary Association (per young people's report), \$183.67. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,235.60.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.

Total of contributions, \$1,260.50.

REMARKS.

By way of "remark" I desire to say, that difficulties which I have had to contend against in working up this parish are being overcome, one after the other; and we trust in time to place this parish in such a position that it will become self-supporting. In addition to other improvements which I reported last year, we have painted the church, put up some new fencing, and laid a new walk about the church.

We are largely indebted to several of our Episcopalians of the Newburyport Parish, who have come forward in a most generous way, and helped in our undertakings by their efforts and gifts of money and work, as also by the warm and hearty sympathy I have ever received from them personally. I speak thus of the Newburyport people, because they know the difficulties I have had to contend against in working up this place. Besides these friends, we are indebted to many who have given us much assistance and kindly aid from Boston and Cambridge.

The Young People's Literary Association has done excellent work this the second year of its organization, and shows a marked progress. At my suggestion they undertook to buy and pay for a piano for the Sunday school and other parish purposes. This has been paid for, excepting the last payment of twenty-five dollars. I have found this Association a great source of strength in many of our parish workings, and feel the existence of such, in any parish, cannot be too highly estimated as a help and safeguard to the young people, as also to the future members and congregations of our church.

The attendance at the church-services have shown a steady increase, though there have been some drawbacks. The rental of pews, attendance, and the hearty responsive worship speak of progress and improvement.

I have to add that there is much yet to be done in necessary repairs, which we hope to accomplish this year, please God.

Regarding part of the figures in this report, I have been enabled to form only an approximate idea.

GRACE CHURCH, AMHERST.

[No report.]

CHRIST CHURCH, ANDOVER.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., *Rector*.

HOBACE HENRY TYER and WILLIAM MARLAND, Church-Wardens.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 2; total, 15. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 1; died, 3; removed, 9; total lost, 12; present number, 106. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 83. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$3,375. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,375.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$61.70. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory,

\$230.77; pew rents, \$58; subscriptions, \$789.50; legacy, \$200; investments, \$488.45; total, \$1,766.72. Increase and improvement of church property: Towards enlargement of Rector's study, \$10; improvement of chancel and carpet, \$187.37. Gift for chime of bells, \$2,000. Improvement of burial-ground, \$200. "Young Christian Soldier," \$5.40. Christmas and Easter festival and decorations, \$31.97. Better lighting of lecture-room, \$18.48. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,231.64.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$40.86. Convention Fund, \$19. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$5.51. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (from Sunday school), \$5. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston (from Sunday school), \$5. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$5. Christian or Theological Education: Sunday school to Nashotah, \$6; Sunday school to Society for the Increase of Missionary Fund, \$3, — \$9. Sufferers by flood in Ohio, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$93.47.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30; Sunday school to Diocesan Missions, \$5; total, \$35. Domestic missions in general (including \$7 from Sunday school), \$14; mission to colored people in the South, \$4.56; mission to the Jews, \$4; Sunday school to mission to colored people in Columbia, S.C., \$5; Sunday school to White Earth (Indian) mission, \$5; Sunday school to Salt Lake City mission, \$5; Sunday school to Bishop John A. Paddock, for Washington Territory, \$5; ladies to mission, Indian Territory (cash, \$22.34; clothing, \$103.04), \$125.38; total, \$167.94. Foreign missions in general (including \$3 from Sunday school), \$17.84; Sunday school to the Bishop's College, China, \$5; ladies, towards salary of missionary to China, \$15.75; total, \$38.59. Total for missionary contributions, \$241.53.

Total of contributions, \$4,566.64.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

The Rev. CHARLES MORRIS ADDISON, *Rector*.

ALBERT GRIFFITHS and ROBERT DINSMORE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 2; total, 12. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 6; total added, 18; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 53. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 43. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$43.60. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$258.68; subscriptions, \$368.22; other sources, \$91.03; total, \$717.93. Sunday school, \$26. Increase and improvement of church property, \$970.65. Sunday-school Christmas festival, \$33. Sunday-school Easter festival, \$6. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,802.18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.55. Domestic missions in general, \$117.05. Total for missionary contributions, \$124.60.

Total of contributions, \$1,926.78.

REMARKS.

The work of the present Rector extends over a period of seven months only; and the above report is for that period of time, with the exception of the current expenses, marriages, and funerals, which extend over the Convention year.

The church was consecrated on Oct. 11, 1862.

A new Mason & Hamlin Liszt organ has been purchased; and, by the generosity of individual members of the parish, the chancel has been entirely refurnished in solid oak, with new altar-linen, hangings, and books. The Ladies' Aid Society has sent boxes of clothing, through the Woman's Auxiliary, to Indian and domestic missions.

The parish includes among its members residents of Belmont and of Lexington, as well as of Arlington.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.

The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, *Rector*.

MOSES COOK and ADDISON G. HALL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Communicants: Received, 2; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 27. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 12. Church: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$24.15. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$63.30; donations, \$16; other sources, \$1.50; total, \$100.80. Tax on rectory, \$7.90; care of church, fuel, etc., \$18; repairs of church, \$96.01, — \$121.91. Total for objects within the parish, \$246.86.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14. Domestic missions in general: Sunday-school missionary box for Dakota League, \$5; Ladies' Sewing Circle, box for Dakota League, \$15, — \$20. Total for missionary contributions, \$34.

Total of contributions, \$280.86.

REMARKS.

During the winter the Rector was absent from the parish, on account of his health.

The Rev. Mr. Duffield of Shelburne Falls rendered very acceptable service to the parish, coming up monthly in the interval, preaching, and twice administering the Holy Communion. The Ladies' Sewing Circle met and did good work during the winter, thus preparing a valuable box for the Dakota League.

Both the church and rectory need considerable repairs; in the latter case, to prevent great deterioration in the value of the property. The problem is, how to obtain the means for doing the work. May it be speedily solved! Four or five hundred dollars would be enough.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEVERLY.

The Rev. JOHN CORNWELL WELWOOD, *Rector*.

JOHN D. LOVETT and AUSTIN D. KILHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 63. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 85. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 231.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$973.95; subscriptions, \$450; donations, \$100; total, \$1,523.95. Increase and improvement of church property, \$180; other parochial objects, \$200. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,903.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28. Convention Fund, \$10. For other objects without the parish, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$63.

Total of contributions, \$1,966.95.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, *Rector*.

Rev. WALTER R. GARDNER, Rev. EDWARD BENEDICT, *Assistant Ministers*.

Baptisms: Infants, 100; adults, 25; total, 125. Confirmed, 36. Marriages, 21. Funerals, 38. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms for poor, \$546.75. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$10,658.58; other sources, \$175. Sunday school, \$150. Increase and improvement of church property, \$17,898. Other parochial objects, \$152. Total for objects within the parish, \$29,580.83.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Lying-in Hospital, \$100. Sisters of Nativity, \$400. Total, \$500.

Total of contributions, \$30,080.83.

REMARKS.

Owing to the division of the parish, I am unable to give the number of communicants at present connected with it. The return of donations for objects without the parish and missionary contributions is incomplete.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, *Rector*.

HENRY M. SNELL and DANIEL L. WEYMOUTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 1; total, 15. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 19; received, 11; total added, 30; died, 7; removed, 3; total lost, 10; present number, 137. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 82. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$92.95. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,671; donations, \$100; total, \$1,771. Sunday school, \$93.58. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,172.85. Hymnals, \$21.51. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,151.39.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$18. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$2. Christian or Theological Education, \$15.50. Special for divinity student, \$15. American Church Building Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$100.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18. Domestic missions in general, \$12. Sunday-school offering for Fannie C. Paddock Memorial Hospital, \$15.48; other mission work, \$4.75; total, \$32.23. Foreign missions in general, \$9; mission in Nova Scotia, \$6; total, \$15. Total for missionary contributions, \$65.23.

Total of contributions, \$3,317.12.

REMARKS.

The growth of the congregation for the past few years having been such as to show to the parishioners that the church was not favorably situated for the accommodation of the greater number of communicants, and the future interest of the parish, with the advice and consent of the Bishop and Standing Committee, the parish resolved to purchase a new lot, and remove the church to Dorchester Avenue and Ashmont Street. This was accomplished in October, 1882; when sufficient land was secured for a chapel, church, and rectory, the present building removed and placed thereon, which will eventually become the chapel when the parish shall erect a new church, which it hopes to accomplish before many years.

The parish also wishes to make note of the fact that it has now become self-sustaining; having ceased to receive aid from the Diocesan Board of Missions on the 1st of May, 1882.

With the church more favorably situated, the parish having become self-sustaining, and the communicants having increased from 29 to 137, the rector closes the seven years of his ministry in All Saints', devoutly thanking God and taking courage.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE, *Rector*.

JOHN FOX and F. J. MUNROE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 38; adults, 2; total, 40. Confirmed, 23. Communicants: Admitted, 23; received, 5; total added, 28; died, 4; present number, 190. Marriages, 28. Funerals, 50. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 700. Parsonage: value, houses, \$18,200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$48,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$395; subscriptions, \$298. Sunday school, \$150. Total for objects within the parish, \$838.

Total of contributions, \$838.

REMARKS.

Spiritually the parish is in a good condition, the attendance on the Lord's Day being large and increasing. I am unable to give the financial statements, necessary information being withheld.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, *Rector*.

JOHN HOGG and HOWARD PATSON ARNOLD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 4; total, 18. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Admitted, 19; received, 41; total added, 60; died, 5; removed, 51; total lost, 56; present number, 328. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 11. Sunday

school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 240. Parochial school: Teachers, 2; scholars, 85.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$958.89. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$13,585.23. Sunday school, \$100. Parish library, \$184.52. Parochial missions, \$362.45. Parochial school, \$1,839. Increase and improvement of church property, \$4,825.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$21,755.59.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$280. Convention Fund, \$97.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$152.51. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$561.94. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$897.81. Christian or Theological Education, \$305. Erection of churches and chapels: Ascension Church, Waltham, \$800. Country week, \$80. Church Temperance Society, \$87.76. Woman's Free Hospital, \$130; St. Anne's, Lincoln, \$50; Church of Good Shepherd, \$150; "Special," \$50; Girls' Friendly Society, \$30; St. John's Church, Roxbury, \$100; Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl, \$200; Christ Church, Quincy, \$100; total, \$850. Massachusetts Bible Society, \$275; Dorcas Society, \$955.28, — \$1,230.28. Total for objects without the parish, \$4,342.80.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$746.75. Domestic missions in general, \$548.47. By Women's Missionary Department, in money, \$1,476.53; value of boxes, \$1,049.21; by Young Women's Guild, \$29.50; by Sunday school, \$215.53, — \$3,319.24. Foreign missions in general, \$517.47. By Women's Missionary Department, \$500; by Sunday school, \$40, — 1,057.47. Total for missionary contributions, \$5,123.46.

Total of contributions, \$31,221.85.

CHURCH OF THE EVANGELISTS, BOSTON.

The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, *Assistant Minister*.

PAUL BARRON WATSON, *Lay Reader*.

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 2; total, 23. Confirmed, 6. Communicants, 100. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 21. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 85; scholars, 250. Girls' Industrial School: Teachers, 20; scholars, 80.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$48.60. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$297.04; subscriptions, \$42; donations, \$236.50; lecture course, \$50; total, \$625.54. Sunday school, \$46.92. Girls' Industrial Club, \$174. Total for objects within the parish, \$895.06.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Box to Bishop Tuttle, value \$75; Bishop Paddock's Hospital, in Washington Territory, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$85.

Total of contributions, \$980.06.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT, *Rector*.

JOHN DAVIS, WILLIAMS FRENCH, and ROBERT H. RICHARDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 46; adults, 3; total, 49. Confirmed, 19. Communi-

cants: Present number, 280. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 22. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 205.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$410.93; from alms-chest, \$52.74. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,934.23; donations, \$150; use of church-organ, \$35; total, \$3,119.23. Sunday school, \$114.83. Other parochial objects, \$152.75. For Christmas and Easter Sunday-school festivals, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,950.48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$59.50. Convention Fund, \$27. Christian or theological education, \$35.02. For other objects without the parish, \$23. Total for objects without the parish, \$144.52.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions in general, \$32.07; missions to freedmen and Indians, \$27.86; mission to Jews, \$51.46; total, \$111.19. Foreign missions in general, \$34.55. Total for missionary contributions, \$245.74.

Total of contributions, \$4,340.74.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE HICKMAN BUCK, *Missionary*.

GEORGE ALEXANDER STRONG, *Lay Reader*.

Baptisms: Infants, 40; adults, 5; total, 45. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Present number, about 125. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 175. Church: Sitzings, 350. Chapel: Sitzings, 125. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$125. All current expenses: Collections in church, \$649.64; donations for the poor and Sunday school, \$129.20; other sources, \$75; total, \$853.84. Sunday school, \$59.84. Increase and improvement of church property, proceeds of two "sales," \$281. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,319.68.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$31.55. Domestic missions in general, \$18.80; sufferers by floods in the West, \$10; American Church Building Fund, \$7; Easter offering of the Sunday school, for Bishop Paddock, \$32.58; total, \$86.93. Foreign missions, \$14. Total for missionary contributions, \$113.93.

Total of contributions, \$1,448.61.

REMARKS.

The ladies of the parish have also sent to a missionary in Nevada a surplice and stole valued at \$26.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector*.

The Rev. FRANK ALBION SANBORN, *Assistant*.

JAMES FREDERICK SAYER, *Lay Reader.*

CAUSTEN BROWNE and SAMUEL RICE, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 28; adults, 4; total, 32. Confirmed, 32. Communicants: Admitted, 32; received, 14; total added, 46; died, 4; removed, 20; total lost, 24; present number, 350. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 95. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 650. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$37,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$6,280.45. Parochial missions, \$75. Increase and improvement of church property, \$350. For poor, \$316. Flower Fund, \$110. Christmas festival, \$237.33. Easter festival, \$192.75. Altar Society, \$106.60. Girls' Fragment Society, \$15. By Sunday school, \$77.56. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,760.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Free Church Association, \$39.50. Ladies' Missionary Society, \$40.57. Total for objects without the parish, \$80.07.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$104. Domestic missions: Bishop J. A. Paddock, \$25; Dakota League, \$27. Foreign missions, \$12.41. Total for missionary contributions, \$168.41.

Total of contributions, \$8,009.17.

REMARKS.

A box of clothing, valued at \$90, has been fitted out by the Ladies' Society for the Children's Hospital in Omaha; also another box, valued at \$25, for a missionary at White Earth Reservation.

- ST. ANNE'S CHAPEL (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. JOSHUA R. PEIRCE, *Minister in charge.*

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 6; total, 25. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 12; total added, 24; died, 4; removed, 9; total lost, 13; present number, about 116. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 120.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,281; donations and legacy, \$562.56; from sales, etc., \$400. Sunday school, not including missionary offering, \$41.15. Increase and improvement of church property, \$230. Other parochial objects, \$25. Christmas festival and decorations, \$66. Easter festival and flowers, \$30. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,635.71.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.50. Domestic missions in general, \$21; Sunday-school Lenten offerings for freedmen, \$16.25; mission to Jews, \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$21. Total for missionary contributions, \$85.75.

Total of contributions, \$2,721.46.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH (ROXBURY), BOSTON.

The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, *Rector*.The Rev. J. R. PRIBBE, *Minister in charge of St. Anne's Mission Chapel*.W. RAYMOND LEE and ATHERTON T. BROWN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 13; total, 27; confirmed, 17. Communicants: Present number, about 275. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$420.74. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$5,253.02. For various objects: Sunday school, \$375.50. Parochial missions, \$60.32. Benevolent Society, \$301.78. Other parochial objects: Reduction of church debt, \$531.71; for church improvement, \$700; Christmas decorations, \$50; Employment Society, \$217.78. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,910.04.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$68.41. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$78.89. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$50. Aid Society, for miscellaneous mission work, \$200. Total for objects without the parish, \$397.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$52.78; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$54.61; total, \$107.39. Domestic: Through Helping Hand Society, \$244; Indian missions (collections), \$72.06; Indian missions (scholarships), \$120; total, \$436.06. Foreign missions in general: Scholarship (Shanghai), \$60. Total for missionary contributions, \$604.36.

Total for contributions, \$8,912.24.

REMARKS.

The Employment Society, Benevolent Society, Helping Hand Society, and Aid Society, have shown, this year, their customary devotedness in their work of contributing time, work, garments, and money, to a great variety of needs in the foreign, domestic, diocesan, and city fields of missionary labor; besides which, much personal and sympathetic aid has been given to many worthy recipients.

St. James's Mission, known as "St. Anne's Chapel, Dorchester," continues to grow steadily in strength and usefulness, as will be seen by the report of the minister-in-charge.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (CHARLESTOWN), BOSTON.

The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D.D., *Rector*.The Rev. SAMUEL SNELLING, *Assistant*.GEORGE N. FISHER and FLORIMOND A. DOWNING, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 56; adults, 2; total, 58. Confirmed, 21. Communicants, 325. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 44. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 30; scholars, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$169.82. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,791.87. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,961.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$42; Convention Fund, \$15; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, \$24.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$81.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$54.45. Domestic missions: Sunday school, Bishop Garrett, \$50. Foreign missions, \$20. Total for missionary contributions, \$124.45.

Total of contributions, \$3,166.89.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST BOSTON.

The Rev. N. H. CHAMBERLAIN, *Rector*.

GEORGE H. PLUMMER and WILLIAM F. DWYER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12. **Communicants:** Our population is a shifting one. Only a careful secretary can determine the number of our communicants. **Marriages,** 2. **Funerals,** 6. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 186. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$592.65; pledges, \$433.83; donations, \$28.17. Ladies' Aid Society, \$184.36. Sunday school, \$200. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,439.01.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$1,459.01.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (HIGHLANDS), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, *Rector*.

The Rev. BENJAMIN SMITH SANDERSON, *Deacon and Assistant*.

DAVID CONNERY and JOHN FORSYTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 61; adults, 2; total, 63. **Confirmed,** 15. **Communicants:** Present number, about 300. **Marriages,** 12. **Funerals,** 22. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 330.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms-chest and communion alms, \$63.57. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,478.65. For the Christmas festival, \$37.78. For Easter flowers, \$28.09. For the Employment Society, \$66.71. For "bell fund," \$62.08. For carpet, \$400.30. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,137.18.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$52.34. Domestic missions in general, \$26.81; for support of scholarship in Niobrara, Indian mission (by Sunday school), \$00. Foreign missions in general, \$26.30; for support of bed in hospital in China, \$30. Special through Woman's Auxiliary, for salary, \$10. From Sunday school (to be appropriated), \$33.84. Total for missionary contributions, \$240.79.

Total of contributions, \$3,452.97.

REMARKS.

Twenty women have received work from the Employment Society. A box of clothing, valued at \$70, has been sent to Africa.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (JAMAICA PLAIN), BOSTON.

The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, *Rector*.

FRANK W. REYNOLDS and JOHN W. MCKIM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 5; total, 16. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: Admitted, 20; received, 35; total added, 55; died, 3; removed, 18; total lost, 21; present number, 264. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 31; scholars, 191. Church: Value, \$50,000; sittings, 532. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$50,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$285.67. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Collections in church, \$235.39; pew-rents, \$3,227.10; subscriptions, \$400; total, \$3,862.49. Sunday school, \$255.78. Parish Building Fund, \$4,592. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,995.84.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$87.50. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Margaret Coffin Prayer-book Society, \$15. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$50. Christian or theological education, \$25. Erection of churches and chapels, \$21. House of Good Samaritan, \$25. Consumptives' Home, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$323.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$43.04. Domestic missions in general, \$30.51. Indian missions: in aid of Bishop Hare's work, \$50; in aid of Bishop Whipple's work, \$50. Fannie C. Pad-dock Memorial Hospital, \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$30.52. Mexican League, \$50. Miss Pitman's salary, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$324.07.

Total of contributions, \$9,642.91.

REMARKS.

Of the above amount named as for the Parish Building Fund, \$250 has been contributed by the Sunday school, and \$700 by the Parish Missionary Association. The new church-edifice that the parish has been building is now completed, and has been occupied by the parish as its place of worship ever since the first Sunday in February. The sale of the real estate which the parish owns, exclusive of its church and the lot on which it stands, will open the way to the speedy consecration of the church.

MISSION CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, BOSTON.

The Rev. ARTHUR C. A. HALL, *Minister*.

The Rev. EDWARD OSBORNE, *Assistant*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Communicants, 80. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 180.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,190.43. Sunday school, \$803.97. Increase and improvement of church property: purchase of organ, \$732.24. St. Margaret's Home, \$250; poor, \$167.38. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,644.02.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — House of the Good Samaritan, \$50. St. Mary's Orphanage, Lowell, \$75. Total for objects without the parish, \$125.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions, \$25; Church Society for promoting Christianity amongst the Jews, \$44.56; St. Cyprian's, New-Bern, N.C., \$5; Mission, Gunnison, Col., \$2; total, \$76.56. Foreign missions, \$25. Total for missionary contributions, \$151.56.

Total of contributions, \$3,920.58.

REMARKS.

This report covers only the period from Palm Sunday, when the church-building on Bowdoin Street was occupied as a mission church, in accordance with an arrangement made by the Parish of the Advent, who vacated the building on March 15 to occupy their new church on Brimmer Street. We are not able to return any statistics of communicants, as no list has yet been made: 362 persons, however, received their communion in the mission church on Easter Day, and there have been about 80 on each following Sunday.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH (BRIGHTON), BOSTON.

The Rev. AUGUSTUS PRIME, *Rector*.

JOHN H. STURGIS and CHARLES P. GARDINER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 1; total, 16. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 17; total added, 27; removed, 12; present number, 95. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 64. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Domestic missions: For the Jews, \$3.95. Total for missionary contributions, \$23.95.

REMARKS.

I regret to say that I am not able to complete this report, as the parish books are not at present in my possession.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, *Rector*.

JAMES S. BURBANK and HENRY C. EDDY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 3; total, 13. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 20; total added, 29; died, 3; removed, 16;

total lost, 19; present number, 223. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 120.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$219.01. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$489.57; pew-rents, \$1,443.93; subscriptions, \$396.71; other sources, \$502.54; total, \$2,832.75. Sunday school, \$65. Other parochial objects, \$255.85. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,372.11.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$30. Convention Fund, \$30. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$25. Free Home for Aged Women, \$100. Young Women's Christian Association, \$8. Total for objects without the parish, \$193.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50.20. Domestic missions in general, \$25. Indian missions, \$48. Foreign missions: Mexico, \$2; Girls' school at Shanghai, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$165.20.

Total of contributions, \$3,730.31.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. L. W. SALTONSTALL, *Rector*.

JOHN P. CLAPP and DANIEL B. STEDMAN, Jun., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 3; total, 20. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Present number, 150. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 114.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$306.22. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$342.66; collections in church, \$400.23; pew rents, \$1,615.50; donations, \$828.87; total, \$3,137.26. Parish library, \$53.11; other parochial objects, \$226.60. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,773.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$8.67. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$20. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$9.35. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$25. Christian or theological education, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.02.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$42.53. Domestic missions in general, \$228.48. Foreign missions in general, \$84.51. Total for missionary contributions, \$355.52.

Total of contributions, \$4,203.73.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (FOR SAILORS), BOSTON.

The Rev. JAMES M. HILLYAR, *Missionary*.

RICHARD L. THOMAS and HENRY COTTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 4; total added, 7; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 68. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 33. Church: Value, \$9,000; sittings, 500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$46.80. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$235.06; other sources, \$19.72; total, \$254.78. Sunday school, \$12.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$314.33.

Total of contributions, \$314.33.

REMARKS.

In addition to the Church of St. Mary's, as reported herewith, I found that there were a few people who had been in the habit of worshipping at St. Stephen's House, No. 6 Tyler Street, and consequently gave them services on Sunday afternoon and Wednesday evening. Average congregations, 20. Statistics as follows:—

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Communicants, 8. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 13.

Offerings taken up, and used to help the running expenses, \$35.22.

I have also, during the past year, visited the Massachusetts General Hospital and the City Hospital.

Have about 18 or 20 visitations, ministering to about 20 patients. Celebrated the Holy Communion twice with 7 communicants. Buried 2.

Have been aided in this work by a society of six ladies, who have labored faithfully, and been of great assistance. They have averaged three visits a week, reading to the patients, and keeping me informed of the arrival of new cases.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, *Rector*.

The Rev. ALFRED FOSTER WASHBURN, *Assistant*.

DAVID CLAPP and HENRY W. NELSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 71; infants at "Church Home," 5; adults, 5; total, 81. Confirmed, 19; confirmed at "Church Home," 7; total, 26. Communicants: Admitted, 28; received, 2; total added, 28; died, 6; present number, 450. Marriages, 26. Funerals, 38. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 200; Rector's Bible class, 81. City Point Sunday school: Teachers and officers, 11; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 650. Chapel: Sittings, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$180.58. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$682.94; two special offerings for debt, \$295; pew rents, \$2,074.35; donations for debt, 2,187.23; bequest from Mrs. E. Morton, \$1,000; other sources, \$495.14; interest of sinking fund, about \$25; total, \$6,759.66. Sunday school, \$113.02. Rector's Bible class, \$47.02. Parochial missions: City Point Sunday school offerings, \$24.26; proceeds of entertainment for school, \$39.65, — \$68.91. Clerical services, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,214.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70. Convention Fund, \$30. Christian or theological education: Society for Increase of Ministry, \$16. Deaf-mutes, \$4. Western flood sufferers, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$145.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$22.25. Domestic missions: Society for Promotion of Christianity among the Jews, \$19.25; Indian missions, \$5; four boxes to the West and South, \$187; total,

\$211.25. Foreign missions: Missions in Mexico, \$5; missions in Africa, \$5; missions in China, \$34.88; Sunday school offerings for Joseph H. Clinch scholarship, Africa, \$25; John Wright scholarship, Jaffa, \$25; Rosa Nicholson memorial bed in China, \$30; total, \$124.88. Total for missionary contributions, \$358.38.

Total of contributions, \$7,717.57.

REMARKS.

The Rector has been absent from the parish, on account of ill-health, most of the time since July 1, 1882. He is still away, but hopes to return to the parish the coming June. During his absence, the greater part of the duties of the parish have fallen to the Assistant Minister. The Rev. Edward A. Rand of Watertown, Mass., has preached regularly on Sunday mornings, celebrated the Holy Communion, and aided kindly at a few important week-day services. For several weeks in the summer, during the vacation of the Assistant Minister, Rev. Mr. Rand also had charge of both of the Sunday services.

At Easter-tide, 1883, the parish paid \$800 to the removal of a mortgage debt on the church of \$5,000, with added interest, of several years' standing. That old incumbrance upon the church is now entirely swept away, and a feeling of relief and satisfaction is the fruit of successful efforts of varied kinds to free the parish of the heavy burden.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D., *Rector*.

J. BAXTER UPHAM, M.D., and HENRY A. TURNER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 1; total, 12. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 18; received, 8; total added, 26; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 299. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 28; scholars, 196. Church: Sittings, about 800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, about \$350,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$761.82. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory and collections in church, \$1,041.83; pew rents, \$1,649.77; subscriptions, i.e., pew taxes, \$10,198.51; investments, Sears and Warren Funds, \$1,114.46; sale of pews, \$1,750; total, \$15,754.57. Sunday school, \$365.64. Christmas-tree for children, and dinners for poor, \$207.50. Easter decorations, \$187; church debt, \$250, — \$437. Assistant to Rector, \$158.38; at Rector's discretion, \$1,702.31, — \$1,860.69. St. Paul's Industrial Society, \$518.70. Ladies' Advisory Board, and Church poor, \$316.07. Church work at Christmas, \$33. (Total, \$3,372.96.) Total for objects within the parish, \$20,254.99.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$25.38. Convention Fund, \$120. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$143.70. Margaret Coffin Prayer-book Society, \$51.57. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$914.03. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$218.85. Massachusetts Bible Society, \$100. Girls' Friendly Society, \$60.52. Total for objects without the parish, \$1,634.05.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$46.45; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,271.41; work of Rev. J. W. Atwood, Ipswich, \$60, — \$1,377.86. Domestic missions: Ladies' Domestic Missionary Society,

\$360.67; Rev. Dean Hart, Denver, \$1,852; Rev. W. G. Jacobs, Blair, Neb., \$765; Salt Lake City, scholarship, \$40; Bishop Garrett, N. Tex., \$345; Niobrara mission, \$60; Bishop Whipple, Minnesota, \$283; Bishop Paddock, Washington Territory, \$1,100; bed in F. Paddock Hospital, \$50; Griswold College, Iowa, \$920; Church Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$122.63; Rev. G. B. Cooke, Petersburg, Va., \$49.51; Indians, \$124; freedmen, \$107, — \$6,187.81. Foreign missions in general, \$784.28; Africa, \$50; Mexico, \$95; China, \$150; Japan, \$60; Native African Aid Association, \$50, — \$1,189.28. Total for missionary contributions, \$8,754.95.

Total of contributions, \$30,643.99.

REMARKS.

The various parochial industries have been energetically conducted by willing workers during the year, and all are in a flourishing condition. Several diocesan and extra-parochial associations have had the use of the church, the chapel, and the workrooms.

The Sacrament of the Holy Communion has been administered every Sunday, and on the great festivals. A Bible-class has been held once a week for several months, with a large attendance; and the children of the parish have been occasionally catechised.

Memorial tablets have been erected in the church by relatives and friends of the Rev. John S. Stone, D.D., rector from 1832 to 1841; and Dr. John Collins Warren, for thirty-six years warden and vestry-man of the parish. The church has been enriched by several beautiful and useful gifts, the most costly and effective of which is a handsome brass eagle lectern.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., *Rector*.

The Rev. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN, *Assistant*.

CHARLES HENRY PARKER and CHARLES RUSSELL CODMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 38; adults, 8; total, 46. Confirmed, 26. Communicants: Present number, about 1,000. Marriages, 21. Funerals, 26. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 56; scholars, 560. Sewing schools: Teachers, 35; scholars, 246.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$2,866.40. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$24,450; investments, \$3,000; total, \$27,450. Sunday school, \$403. Parish library, \$150. increase and improvement of church property, \$15,875. Charitable societies of the parish, \$4,119.42. Trinity House, \$3,678.50. Sewing school, \$178. Total for objects within the parish, \$54,720.32.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$2,445.13. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$770. Massachusetts Bible Society, \$876. Boston Young Women's Christian Association, \$4,450. Brighton Home for Incurables, \$4,180. Trinity Free Bed, Women's Hospital, \$1,381. Miscellaneous, \$1,035. Total for objects without the parish, \$15,137.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) mission, \$350; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,500; total within the Diocese, \$1,850. Domestic missions in general, \$1,681; Indian missions, \$1,000; Freedmen's missions, \$962; Woman's Auxiliary, \$540; miscellaneous, \$290; total domes-

tic missions, \$4,493. Foreign missions in general, \$4,018; contributions of Sunday school, \$575; total foreign missions, \$4,593.13. Total for missionary contributions, \$10,986.13.

Total of contributions, \$80,793.58.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Reuben Kidner, Assistant Minister of this Parish, is in charge of the Chapel of the Evangelists, and will make report of his year's work there.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

The Rev. J. MILTON PECK, *Rector*.

JOSEPH B. FOBES, M.D., and JOHN W. BURT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Communicants: Present number, 50. Marriages, 1. Church: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 800. Parsonage: Value, \$1,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$16.02. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$900.06. Purposes of the choir and church work, \$24.15. Total for objects within the parish, \$940.23.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$500.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$32.76. Domestic missions: General missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in United States, \$20.73; Society for Conversion of the Jews, \$3.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$56.99.

Total of contributions, \$1,002.22.

REMARKS.

On Trinity Sunday last (1882), the bishop of the Diocese himself inaugurated a new departure in this ancient parish, by holding Divine Service in the town-hall, one mile away from the parish church, at his annual visitation. At the same time he also advised the closing of the parish church, and the concentration of all interest at a point nearer the vast majority of the parishioners. The results have fully justified the wisdom of this movement, as seen in the large attendance upon the services, and the renewed life of the parish.

At a legal meeting of the parish on the 11th inst., it was voted, all but unanimously, to remove the parish church, remodel, and place it upon a very desirable lot of land near the post-office; and a liberal sum of money has already been pledged for the purpose; and we have strong hope of being able to worship in the new building on or before Christmas next.

The greater part of the accompanying report dates only from the 1st of October last, the beginning of the present rectorship; and it is necessarily somewhat incomplete for the full conventional year.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROCKTON.

The Rev. SAMUEL HODGRISS, *Missionary*.

ALEXANDER F. BURDON, *Lay Reader*.

ALEXANDER F. BURDON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adults, 2; total, 24. Communicants: Received, 3; died, 1; present number, 32. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 9. Sunday school:

Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 40. Chapel: Value, \$1,200; sittings, 154. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$10.48. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$721.96; donations, \$150; total, \$871.96. Increase and improvement of church property, \$250.50; other parochial objects, old debts, \$150, — \$400.50. The above items are included in "total for objects within the parish." Total for objects within the parish, \$882.44.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12.40. Total of contributions, \$894.84.

REMARKS.

The present missionary accepted the appointment of the Board of Missions to St. Paul's Mission, in this city, in June, 1882, and entered upon his new work on Sunday, July 2, being the fourth Sunday after Trinity.

It is gratifying to note the result of nine months' work. Our people, somewhat scattered of late, have been mostly drawn back. The church-buildings have been put in excellent repair within and without. Our good name has been redeemed, and our debts have been mostly cancelled. The church is well filled at all Sunday services, and a permanent and solid growth is witnessed on all sides.

The last great effort made by our people here is the payment of a thousand-dollar mortgage, which has been upon the church land for the last seven years. This, we are grateful to say, will be paid within a few days; and the Church in this city will then be entirely free from debt. For all of which we thank God, take courage, and press onward.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLINE.

The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, *Rector*.

HENRY S. CHASE and THOMAS PARSONS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 1; total, 12. **Confirmed,** 10. **Communicants:** Admitted, 11; received, 9; total added, 20; died, 3; removed, 8; total lost, 11; present number, 289. **Marriages,** 7. **Funerals,** 5. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$719.24. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$928.68; pew rents, \$4,549.72; donations, \$300; investments, \$24.13; total, \$5,802.53. Sunday school, including Christmas and Easter festival, \$256.48. Thanksgiving collection for poor, \$87.94. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,866.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$198. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$100. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$280.81. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$50. Christian or theological education, \$612.15. Girls' Friendly Society, \$54.36. Bishop John A. Paddock's school building, \$1,185. Bishop Whipple's school for girls' building, \$1,000. Total for objects without the parish, \$3,517.32.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$462.72. Domestic missions in general, \$404.88. Indians and Freedmen, ladies'

work, \$400. Foreign missions in general, \$360.78. Zenana, \$40. Scholarship in China, \$50. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,717.88.
Total of contributions, \$12,101.39.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, EAST CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. JAMES EDWARD WILKINSON, *Missionary*.

JAMES WILLARD PRESTON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 3; total added, 5; died, 2; present number, 104. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory, \$319.36; other sources, \$216.00. Sunday school, \$47.20; for Sunday-school library, \$10. Increase of Building Fund, \$66. Total for objects within the parish, \$858.65.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12. Domestic missions: Work among the Jews, \$7.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$19.50.

Total of contributions, \$878.15.

REMARKS.

The number of communicants given is the number last reported. The amount added to the building fund during the past year was larger than is reported. Over \$100 were reported to the last Convention, which were not raised until this year. The pressing need of the mission is a church-building of its own. If there were one, the work could be thoroughly organized as it needs to be. This is absolutely necessary to the success and growth of the mission.

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. JAMES FIELD SPALDING, *Rector*.

SAMUEL BATCHELDER and WILLIAM WAYLAND MANNING, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 2; total, 15. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 13; total added, 28; died, 3; removed, 5; total lost, 8; present number, 220. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 160. Church: Value, \$40,000; sittings, 450. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$181.85. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,480.10; subscriptions and donations, \$1,202.88; investments, \$717.44; other sources, \$182.50; total, \$4,582.92. Sunday-school offerings for current expenses, \$10.55. Increase and improvement of church property, \$3,787.15. Special offerings for the poor of the parish, \$95.87. Children's Christmas festival, \$72.86. Christmas and Easter decorations, \$32.68. For Sunday-school library, \$2.90. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,767.78.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$60. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$11. Margaret Coffin Prayer-book Society, \$12. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$100. Total for objects without the parish, \$220.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Work of Eastern Convocation (offerings at the meeting in June, 1882), \$43.26. Domestic missions in general, \$15.71; scholarship at St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, \$40; Indian missions, \$21.48; Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$16.87; to Bishop Whipple (of which \$25.22 from the Sunday school), \$28.22; box sent by Parish Missionary Society to the freed-men at Gordonsville, Va., valued at \$50. Foreign missions in general, \$11.20; towards the Rev. Mr. Tyng's life insurance, \$12.50; for mission work in Japan (from the Sunday school), \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$348.74.

Total of contributions, \$9,337.02.

REMARKS.

Through the generosity of a few parishioners, the church has been appropriately decorated during the past year; and at the same time, by the subscriptions of the people in general, it was completely refurnished, so that now the interior is one of the most beautiful to be seen in this community. Handsome gifts of chancel-hangings and altar-vases have also been received from individuals. The rector gladly puts on record these abundant instances of zeal and liberality, and, in thankfully acknowledging them, prays that all may further the spiritual welfare of the parish.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE (*with St. James's Chapel, Somerville*).

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, *Rector*.

HENRY WOOD and ALBERT S. PILLSBURY, *Lay Readers*.

CHARLES R. WOODS and JOHN A. DODGE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 44; adults, 2; total, 46. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 26; total added, 36; died, 3; removed, 10; total lost, 13; present number, 140. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Church Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 125. Chapel Sunday school: Teachers, 8; scholars, 48; total, 193. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 225. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 150. Parish-house, land, and building fund, \$1,200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$25.82. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory: Church, \$1,648.61; chapel, \$231.96; total, \$1,880.57. Sunday school: Church, \$67.77; chapel, \$76.22; total, \$143.99. Other parochial objects, viz., parish house, \$372.07; parish-house furniture, \$105.76; parish room rent, etc., \$24.88. Christmas and Easter festivals, \$107.60; miscellaneous, \$48. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,708.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$14. Convention Fund, \$18. For other objects without the parish: viz., Cambridge Hospital, \$7.19; miscellaneous charities, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$51.19.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.73. Domestic missions, \$162.98. Foreign missions, \$159.56. Total for missionary contributions, \$353.29.

Total of contributions, \$3,113.17.

REMARKS.

Plans have been adopted for the proposed "Parish House" in the rear of the church, and work is to be begun immediately. Provisionally, during the winter, a large vacant store near the church was fitted up as a "parish room," and has served a variety of useful purposes; among others, the organization of an "industrial school," the attendance on which quickly ran up to about a hundred. More than one-half the children come from outside the parish, and thanks are due to several ladies of other churches for assistance in instruction. A pleasant incident of the year was an "Easter tea," at which about 175 members of the parish sat down to tea together in the large hall of a hotel on the evening of Easter Tuesday; music, and speeches from several neighbor rectors, helping out the evening. The growth of the parish the past year has been marked, and its activity at every point is noticeable. Congregations have increased, and harmony prevails. The Rector's salary has been raised from \$1,200 to \$1,500 for the ensuing year, and the parish has met all its current expenses. The Rector is under obligations to the Rev. F. A. Foxcroft, a member of the parish, for frequent assistance in the services.

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE (*Chapel of the Episcopal Theological School*).

Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D., Dean.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 1; total, 16. Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2. Families, and parts of families, 115. Individuals, (about) 325. Communicants, 190. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 90.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Expenses of the services and Sunday school (no salary paid the Dean by the worshippers), \$1,655.68. Bishop's salary, \$50. Theological education (through the societies and by direct gifts), \$431.25.

Missions. — Diocesan, \$133.43; domestic, \$172.82; Indian, \$153.21; foreign, \$224.72; freedmen, \$165.24; total for missions, \$659.42. (Of this sum, \$562.65 were raised by the ladies' missionary society.)

St. Luke's Home, \$10. Miscellaneous, \$57.10.

Total offerings, \$3,068.45.

REMARKS.

This chapel is open to the public, after the professors and students of the school, and of Harvard University, are provided for as the trust requires. Of the latter institution, about one hundred and forty students have made this their place of worship during the past year, comprising about thirty communicants.

The statistics given above refer, therefore, to those who avail themselves of this privilege, and are registered as attendants. There is no parochial organization, and no connection with the Convention, as there can be none; but these figures are given as part of the statistics of the Church in the Diocese, in connection with the personal report of the Dean to the Bishop.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE, *Rector*.

EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M.D., and WILLIAM W. DALLINGER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 7; total aided, 19; died, 9; removed, 7; total lost, 16; present number, 304. Marriages, 18. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 161.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$103.23. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, through offerings at the offertory, \$3,301.20. Increase and improvement of church property, \$750; decoration and ornaments, \$55.25; personal donations for charities, \$29; industrial charities in addition to alms, \$22.05; Sunday school for church work, \$41.57. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,302.30.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$30; for the relief of an aged clergyman, \$5; for the relief of a sick clergyman, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$66.86. Domestic missions in general, \$31.44. Foreign missions in general, \$34.75; special, \$12.50; Sunday school for Apthorp scholarship, \$10, — \$57.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$155.05.

Total of contributions, \$4,497.35.

REMARKS.

The present year has been marked by a decided improvement in financial affairs over any thing in the past, and a general interest and feeling of responsibility therein. The interior of the church has been renovated, and the exterior is to be undertaken immediately. The Rector is under obligations to clergy living in Cambridge, who have assisted him frequently.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, CHELMSFORD.

The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, *Officiating Clergyman*.

CHARLES D. CLARKE and S. RUSSELL KETCHEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 2; total added, 4; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 40. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,767; sittings, 125. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,767.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$253.64. Increase and improvement of church property, \$767. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,025.64.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$1,035.64.

REMARKS.

We are glad to say that our church is at last completed and consecrated. The attendance has increased since our removal from our little place of

worship. We hope soon to erect our tower, and provide ourselves with a bell. The grounds are soon to be laid out and beautified.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHELSEA.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *Rector*.

G. M. GOLDING and E. P. CONNOR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 53; adults, 5; total, 58. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 33; received, 10; total added, 43; died, 3; removed, 23; total lost, 26; present number, 104. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 35. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 175. Church: Value, \$16,000; sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, etc., \$112.66. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$460.21; pew rents, \$878.75; subscriptions, \$156.75; donations, \$158.57; investments, \$100; other sources, \$271; total, \$2,015.28. Sunday school, \$91. Increase and improvement of church property, \$807.41. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,026.37.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$10. Convention Fund, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$8.15; special, \$4.70; total, \$12.85. Domestic Missions: Jewish, \$3.35; mission at South, \$14; mission at Nebraska, \$11; total, \$28.35. Foreign Missions: Mexico, \$3.55. Total for missionary contributions, \$44.75.

Total of contributions, \$3,091.12.

REMARKS.

During the past Conventional year we have been enabled to carry forward to completion much work which was in contemplation a year ago. "The sound of the church-going bell" saluted our ears from the tower of St. Luke's last October, for the first time. The chancel has been decorated, *in memoriam*, after a chaste and beautiful design, adding grace and dignity to the building. Water, too, has been brought in, and a closet and work-room provided. The Sunday-school rooms have been furnished with a supply of new seats, and greatly lighted up by a fresh coat of paint and whitening. The cost of these improvements amounted to \$807.41. The Sunday school, the Ladies' Social Circle, the Rector, and the parishioners generally, have each and all contributed to help on this good work. *Laus Deo*.

GRACE CHURCH, CHICOPEE.

[No report.]

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CLINTON.

The Rev. ETIENNE THEODORE HAMEL, *Rector*.

JAMES RICHARDSON and H. H. STIMPSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 8; total added, 10; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3; present number, 106. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 150. Church: sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$921.24; subscriptions, \$221.50; total, \$1,142.74; less Episcopal and Convention Fund, \$40.75, — \$1,101.99. Sunday school, offerings, \$35.02. Increase and improvement of church property, \$176.86; church and school furniture, \$105.55; Sunday-school Christmas-tree, \$45.35; sundry expenses, \$50; total, \$200.90. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,514.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28. Convention Fund, \$12.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$40.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40.41. Domestic Missions: Woman's Auxillary, including box, \$32.00. Total for missionary contributions, \$72.41.

Total of contributions, \$1,627.93.

MISSION AT CONCORD, MASS.

The Rev. EDWARD AUGUSTUS RAND, *Missionary.*

O. S. UNDERHILL, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$91.74. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Subscriptions, \$276.44; donations, \$65; total, \$341.44. Total for objects within the parish, \$433.18.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Bible Society, \$2.20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6.

Total of contributions, \$441.38.

REMARKS.

The little circle of communicants at Concord, after repeated efforts to maintain services, finally rented, the past year, an empty schoolhouse. This was adapted to purposes of temporary worship, and is still occupied. About thirty communicants, gathered from Concord and neighboring towns, are interested in these services. The congregation was organized as a mission, Feb. 22 of the present year, and is showing great steadfastness of interest. The expectation is to build a church the coming year, as a building fund of \$2,000 has already been subscribed, to which additions will probably be made.

CALVARY CHURCH, DANVERS.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Rector.*

BENJAMIN R. TIBBETTS and JOHN R. FULLER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 2; total added, 6; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 92. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage lot: value, \$600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$460.68; collections in church, \$22.18; donations, Ladies' Society and Guild, \$60; investments, \$112.80; other sources, \$7.96; total, \$663.62. Sunday school, \$25; charity, \$5. Total for objects within the parish, \$693.62.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$6.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15. Domestic missions, \$7.24. Foreign missions: To Jews, \$3.50; Miss Bruce's salary, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$28.74.

Total of contributions, \$728.36.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, DEDHAM.

The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, *Rector*.

WILLIAM B. WELCH and EPHRAIM L. FROTHINGHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 3; total, 12. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 1; total added, 4; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 74. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 118. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 280. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$54.12. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$247.67; pew rents, \$298.25; subscriptions, \$1,070.25; donations, \$7.75; other sources, \$24.06; total, \$1,648.18. Sunday school, \$54.03. Parish library, \$40. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,806.33.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$17.50. Convention Fund, \$15. For other objects without the parish, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$52.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.21. Domestic missions in general, \$39.50; box for St. Mary's School, Dakota, valued at \$40; total, \$79.50. Foreign missions in general, \$55. Total for missionary contributions, \$141.71.

Total of contributions, \$2,000.54.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DEDHAM.

The Rev. ARTHUR MANN BACKUS, *Rector*.

IRA CLEVELAND and THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 5; died, 2; removed, 45; total lost, 47; present number, 165. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 95. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 160.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$81.96. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory,

\$636.60; collections in church, \$662.74; pew rents, \$1,479.31; subscriptions, \$905; donations, \$4,661.56; investments, \$757.27; total, \$9,102.48. Sunday school, \$26.53. Parish Guild, \$27.85. Ladies' Thursday Club, \$249.54. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,487.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$6.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$36.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions: Children's bed in Fannie C. Paddock Memorial Hospital (Sunday school), \$28.73; American Church-Building Fund, \$10; box of goods to Sisseton Agency (sewing-circle), \$45; total, \$83.73. Foreign: Miss Bruce's salary, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$193.73.

Total of contributions, \$9,718.09.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, EASTHAMPTON.

[No report.]

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. ALBERT ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D., *Rector*.

BORDEN CHASE and CHARLES PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 34; adults, 8; total, 37. **Confirmed,** 19. **Communicants:** Admitted, 19; received, 8; total added, 27; died, 2; removed, 7; total lost, 9; present number, 227. **Marriages,** 22. **Funerals,** 20. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 29; scholars, 175. **Mission school:** teachers, 17; scholars, 125. **Church:** Value, \$65,000; sittings, 618. **Chapel, St. Mark's Mission:** Value, \$1,500; sittings, 150. **Parsonage:** Value, \$8,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$88,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$80.74. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$782.65; pew rents, \$1,599.90; subscriptions, \$300; other sources, \$600; total, \$3,282.55. Sunday school, \$153.68; parochial school, St. Mark's (mission), \$117.96; other objects, \$17; from the "Guild," for special purposes, \$71.26; from Woman's Missionary Association of the parish, value \$54.01. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,777.20.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$22.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$8. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$6. Fall-River Children's Home, \$48. Total for objects without the parish, \$84.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40; from St. Mark's Mission, \$3.50; total, \$43.50. Domestic: Jewish missions, \$7; freedmen, by Women's Missionary Association of the parish, value \$56.23; total, \$63.23. Foreign missions in general, \$8; from Sunday school, scholarship at Cape Palmas, Africa, \$50; box of books for Africa, value \$17; total, \$75. Total for missionary contributions, \$181.73.

Total of contributions, \$4,043.43.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, *Rector*.GEORGE WATTERS and OLIVER H. P. HOWARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 29. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: present number, 125. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 29. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 33; scholars, 270; total, 303. Church: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$744.02; Ladies' Circle, \$201.72; total, \$945.74. Sunday school, \$222. Increase and improvement of church property, \$379.84. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,585.58.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Fall River, \$10. For sick family, \$13. Total for objects without the parish, \$33.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Domestic missions in general, \$4.25. Foreign: China, \$10; Africa, \$4; Japan, 4, — \$18. Total for missionary contributions, \$47.25.

Total of contributions, \$1,665.83.

REMARKS.

Since the last Convention, our congregations have steadily increased. The Sunday school has outgrown present accommodations. Had we the means to enlarge our building, the number of scholars and the usefulness of the school could easily and speedily be increased; but we must wait, as there is no wealth among the people. The congregation is composed entirely of working-people, who, according to their ability, give liberally: still all the income is consumed by expenses, and necessary improvements on present building, which is far from complete. With the appropriation from the Missionary Board, the Rector's salary and all current expenses have been met. *The parish is free from debt.* The title to the land and building is now vested in the Trustees of Donations, and cannot be alienated or encumbered. Last summer, the improvement committee purchased, at a very low price, pews, which add to the comfort of the congregation, and much improve the interior of the building. The walls have been colored. We earnestly pray the Lord to continue to prosper his work.

GRACE CHURCH, FISKDALE.

The Rev. ARTHUR HENRY BARRINGTON, *Rector*.B. W. NICHOLS and A. B. RICE, M.D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 1; total added, 8; removed, 8; present number, 20. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 37.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$14.17. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory,

\$3.76; collections, \$211.75; subscriptions, special, \$23; donations, \$600; other sources, \$153.67; total, \$995.18. Sunday school, \$55.69. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,065.04.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$4.03.

Total of contributions, \$1,069.07.

CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG.

The Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, *Rector*.

DENNIS FAY and GEORGE D. COLONY, M.D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 3; total, 20. Confirmed, 7. Communicants, 200. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 140. Church: Value, \$61,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Rented room, value, furniture, \$500; sittings, 120. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$61,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$154.35. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$1,656.09; subscriptions, \$926.14; other sources, \$290; total, \$2,872.23. Sunday school, \$344.74. Parish library, \$41.16. Church music, \$62.25. Special for sick in parish, \$120. Social gatherings, \$63. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,666.73.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$56. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$17.65. Christian or theological education: Griswold College, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$93.65.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$198. Domestic missions in general, \$224.48. Foreign missions in general, \$70. Total for missionary contributions, \$492.48.

Total of contributions, \$4,252.86.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FRAMINGHAM.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Rector*.

JAMES W. BROWN and ARTHUR C. BLANCHARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 9; total added, 15; died, 3; removed, 4; total lost, 7; present number, 73. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$641.14. Offerings at services at South Framingham, \$50.31. Proceeds of ladies' "Bazar," \$357.91. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,049.36.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30. Missions in general, \$12. Total for missionary contributions, \$42.

Total of contributions, \$1,103.36.

REMARKS.

The past year has been marked by increase in interest and attendance, and there is every reason to look for increasing prosperity.

A new furnace has been put in the church, at a cost of about \$100; and much-needed horse-sheds, eight in number, have been erected at a cost of \$500.

Last October, the ladies held a very successful "Bazar," the proceeds of which contributed largely to these necessary improvements.

Since last autumn, largely-attended services have been held once a month at South Framingham, where there is a rapidly increasing population.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER.

The Rev. CHARLES A. HAYDEN, *Rector*.

JOHN H. STACY and WILLIAM BABSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; died, 1; present number, 60. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$5,500; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$439.31; subscriptions, \$259.29; donations, \$103. Total for objects within the parish, \$801.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$4.50.

Total of contributions, \$806.10.

REMARKS.

By last report to the Convention, the number of communicants was 63. Upon assuming the Rectorship of the Parish, and examining the register, I found the communicant list quite imperfect, not having been revised for several years. A new list was begun by me; and, so far as I have been able to arrive at the correct figures, the number of those who have been to the Holy Communion within the past year is 60, as given in this report. There are, however, 85 persons (so far as I have yet ascertained the facts) in the parish, who have been confirmed, some of whom have in the past received Holy Communion, and some of whom have never done so. Doubtless in future my parish visits will even show a larger number. It is my hope and desire that I may be able to lead at least a portion of these to become actual communicants. I deemed it best, however, in this report to give only the lesser number.

A word as to missionary contributions. I found, upon taking charge of the parish, no system of missionary offerings in operation. One collection for diocesan missionary work has been taken; but, it having been since Easter, it does not appear in this report. A scheme of systematic offerings for benevolent objects is, however, now being put in shape, which will, I trust, be made manifest in the report for another year. There is, I feel, great reason for encouragement in the present outlook here, and with the Divine blessing we hope for growth in many ways for St. John's.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREAT BARRINGTON.

The Rev. JOSEPH E. LINDHOLM, *Rector*.

M. LUDLOW WHITLOCK and JUSTIN DEWEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 9; total added, 12; died, 2; removed, 3; total lost, 5; present number, 162. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 14. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 450. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$29,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$112.96. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$404.40; pew rents, \$1,450; donations, \$30; other sources, \$815; total, \$2,699.40. Sunday school, \$53. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,865.36.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$12.10. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10.57. Total for objects without the parish, \$45.17.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$43.80. Domestic missions at particular points, \$58.20; Church's Mission to Deaf-mutes, \$10, — \$68.20. Foreign missions in general, \$16.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$128.50.

Total of contributions, \$3,039.03.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH, *Rector*.

SIMEON PHILLIPS and CHARLES R. LOWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 5; total, 23. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 4; total added, 13; died, 2; present number, 166. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 110. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Funds at interest, \$5,800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$33,300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$79.82. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$396.58; pew rents, \$1,358.57; investments, \$147.50; Ladies' Aid Society, \$125; total, \$2,027.65. Sunday school, \$42.55. Increase and improvement of church property: From subscriptions, \$306.94; from Ladies' Aid Society, \$302.26, — \$609.24. Parish debt, \$85.11. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,844.37.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$18. Total for objects without the parish, \$53.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30. Domestic missions in general: From the Sunday school, \$23.71; for the Fannie C. Paddock Memorial Hospital, \$14.42. Clothing and money sent to Rev. J. J. Enmegabowh, \$127. Total for missionary contributions, \$195.13.

Total of contributions, \$3,092.50.

REMARKS.

During the past year, a new altar and reredos have been placed in the chancel by his friends in an adjoining Diocese, as a memorial to Mr. Henry Wilson; who, commencing his career in this parish, won distinguished honors while organist of Christ Church, Hartford, Conn., not only as a composer, but for his wonderful genius and admirable taste in adapting the music of the great masters to the praise worship of our liturgy. The same friends supplemented the efforts of the parishioners to improve the sanctuary for the reception of this work of art, by the present of an altar-rail and gas-fixtures, which harmonize in style and coloring with the general characteristics of the memorial.

The parish has received, under the will of Isaac Miles, deceased, for many years a communicant and vestryman of the church, the sum of \$4,000; and under the will of the late Miss Elizabeth Draper, a most zealous and devoted Christian woman, the sum of \$1,000.

The Rector is indebted to the Rev. N. W. Munroe for assistance rendered at the celebrations of the Holy Communion; and also to the Rev. Lewis Green, Rector of St. John's Church, Ashfield, who, while spending the winter in Greenfield for needed rest, very kindly officiated on several occasions at the special Lent and other services.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HANOVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., *Officiating Minister*.

LEMUEL CUSHING WATERMAN and WARREN WRIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Died, 5; present number, 67. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 48. Church: Value, \$10,850; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$4,600. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$15,450.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$127.32. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,350. Sunday school (\$28.89 of which from Sunday school), \$132.69; parish library, \$30.37; other parochial objects, \$34.04. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,724.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28. Convention Fund, \$15. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$33.93. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (from Sunday school), \$5. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston (from Sunday school), \$5. Relief of poor, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$101.93.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$26.18. Domestic missions: Work among colored people (from Sunday school), \$5. Dakota League, Massachusetts Branch (in articles), \$10. Foreign missions in general (from Sunday school), \$5. Missions in general, \$27.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$78.68.

Total of contributions, \$1,900.03.

REMARKS.

Of the foregoing contributions, \$55 came from the Parish Sewing Circle.

On the 3d of September last, being the thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, a deeply interesting and impressive service, memorial of St. Andrew's Church, Scituate (which in 1811 became St. Andrew's, Hanover), was held in South Scituate, on the site of the church-edifice opened for divine worship Oct. 11, 1731, — about a mile distant from the location of the present (the second) church-edifice of the parish.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, *Rector*.

CLARENCE E. KELLEY, *Lay Reader*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 3; total, 11. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 6; total added, 8; died, 4; removed, 3; total lost, 7; present number, 71. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 84. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings,

150. Parsonage: Value, \$3,645. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,645.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory, \$236.11. Sunday school, \$29.18. Increase and improvement of church property, \$645. "Rector's Aid" Society, for objects in the parish, \$108.65. Christmas-tree and decoration of church, \$66.19. Easter cards and flowers, \$10.84. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,095.97.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$2. Domestic missions: Box for Rev. Mr. Ashley, \$13.25; Women's Auxiliary, \$1. — \$14.25. Foreign missions: China, for salary of Miss Bruce, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$21.25.

Total of contributions, \$1,117.22.

REMARKS.

All the sittings in the church are free. The ministrations of the Rector are a free-will offering. The amount needed to meet incidental expenses comes through the weekly offertory.

TRINITY CHURCH, HAVERHILL.

[No report.]

MISSION CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,
HINGHAM.

The Rev. CHARLES LUKE WELLS, *Missionary.*

GEORGE T. DEFREES, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4. **Communicants:** Admitted, 5; received, 1; total added, 6; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 39. **Funerals,** 1. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 37. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish (land), \$1,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$631.33; investments, \$25; other sources, \$31.27. Total for objects within the parish, \$687.60.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.

Total of contributions, \$698.60.

REMARKS.

The congregation organized as a mission at Easter, 1882. The present incumbent, appointed Missionary by the Board of Missions, entered upon his work on July 1, 1882. Morning and evening service and Sunday school have been held each Sunday, with a celebration of the Lord's Supper on the fourth Sunday of each month. Evening services have been held on Saints' days, as also on nearly every Friday evening. Last fall the erection of a chapel was begun, and it is expected that it will be consecrated about the first of June. The chapel will be of wood, and will seat about one hundred and fifty persons. The title to the property will be passed over to the Trustees of Donations.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOLYOKE.

The Rev. HENRY LEWIS FOOTE, *Rector.*GEORGE H. LEDDY and ELIAS P. FORD, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 34; total added, 42; died, 1; removed, 11; total lost, 12; present number, 186. Marriages, 17. Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$132.85. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$209.14; pew rents, \$1,670.42; subscriptions, \$253; Ladies' Aid Society, \$197.40; total, \$2,329.96. Increase and improvement of church property, \$4,940.10. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,402.91.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$18. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$6. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$6. Church Building Fund, \$6.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$88.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$58.67; Western Convocation, \$10.85, — \$69.52. Domestic missions in general, \$12; Utah schools, \$36; Indians, \$8.76; Society for Converting the Jews, \$5, — \$61.76. Foreign missions in general, \$21; scholarship in Mexico, \$57.50, — 78.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$209.78.

Total of contributions, \$7,701.44.

REMARKS.

The item of \$4,940.10, under the head of "Increase and Improvement of Church Property," is the amount paid in the erection of a Rectory, completed and occupied November last. The entire cost of this building was \$5,290.10. The small balance left does not in the least affect the property of the parish (that is entirely unencumbered), and will be easily met before another Convention meets. Part of the balance is already provided for.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOPKINTON.

[Vacant.]

WILLIAM KENNEDY and JAMES F. BRAITHWAITE, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Communicants: Added, 12; present number, about 30. Valuation of the property belonging to the parish: Glebe, \$2,900; church lands, \$500; total, \$3,400.

CHRIST CHURCH, HYDE PARK.

The Rev. JOHN T. MAGRATH, *Rector.*HENRY HYDE SMITH and SAMUEL H. FOSTER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 2; total, 7. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 2; total added, 11; died, 2; removed, 4; total lost,

6; present number, 110. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 90. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$40. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$628.46; pew rents, \$1,024.42; donations for Sunday-school and Prayer books, \$50; total, \$1,702.88. Sunday school, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,767.88.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$31.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen (General), \$38. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$7.61. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.11.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.42. Domestic missions: Sunday school for Fannie Paddock Hospital, \$5; Ladies' box of clothing for Dr. Tucker's Mission to Colored People, \$105; ladies' box for Dakota League, \$35; ladies' box for Bishop Tuttle's Hospital, Salt-Lake City, \$43.50; ladies, for Sister Eliza, \$2; total, \$191. Foreign missions: ladies, for Miss Bruce's salary, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$206.42.

Total of contributions, \$2,049.41.

MEMORIAL CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, IPSWICH.

The Rev. JULIUS WALTER ATWOOD, *Rector*.

EVERARD H. MARTIN and JOHN BIRCH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adult, 1; total, 8. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 3; total added, 9; present number, 72. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 92. Church: Value, \$12,000; sittings, about 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$346.81; subscriptions, \$653.92; donations, \$183.30; other sources, \$160.32; total, \$1,344.35. Sunday school, \$27.50. Increase and improvement of church property, about \$1,950; other parochial objects, \$67.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,389.35.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$15. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$4. Domestic missions in general, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$14.

Total of contributions, \$3,433.35.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBOROUGH.

The Rev. CHARLES JAMES PALMER, *Officiating Clergyman*.

GEORGE B. SHERMAN and FRANK NOURSE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; present number, 59. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and

teachers, 6; scholars, 20. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 350. Parsonage: Value, \$1,500; land, \$1,000. Fund, \$9,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$28.25. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$48.89; subscriptions, \$175; investments, \$673.64; other sources, \$100; total, \$997.53. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,023.78.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$23.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$3.

Total of contributions, \$1,051.78.

GRACE CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, *Rector.*

The Rev. AUGUSTINE H. AMORY, *Assistant.*

JAMES PAYNE AND JAMES H. KIDDER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 30; adults, 3; total, 33. Confirmed, 29. Communicants: Admitted, 29; received, 10; total added, 39; died, 3; removed, 30; total lost, 33; present number, 390. Marriages, 18. Funerals, 20. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 40; scholars, 375. Sewing school: Teachers, 7; scholars, 34. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 350.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$314.30. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$3,158.94; subscriptions, \$555; other sources, \$202; total, \$3,895.94. Sunday school, \$31.98. Christmas expenses, \$23.84. Easter expenses, \$35.75. Choir-books, \$23.20. Prayer-books, \$17.38. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,342.39.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$134.67. Convention Fund, \$36. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$89.31. Christian or theological education, \$48.27. Lawrence City Mission, \$204. Total for objects without the parish, \$512.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic missions in general, \$202.93; Domestic missions, special, \$613.56; for the Jews, \$10; total, \$826.49. Foreign missions in general, \$134.70; Foreign missions, special, \$40, — \$194.70. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,121.19.

Total of contributions, \$5,975.83.

REMARKS.

The report of St. Paul's Mission, North Andover, is given by the Rev. A. H. Amory, minister in charge.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, *Rector*.N. P. H. MELVIN AND JAMES WALTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 37; adults, 2; total, 39. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Admitted, 20; received, 11; total added, 31; died, 3; removed, 19; total lost, 22; present number, 209. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 26. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$84.02. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$502.78; pew rents, \$1,122.25; total, \$1,625.03. Sunday school, \$70.82. Choir boys' vacation, \$52. Carpet and repairs in church, \$250. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,081.87.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$64.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$35; Eastern Convocation, \$24.64; Lawrence City Mission, \$15; total, \$74.64. Domestic: Deaf-mutes, \$15.54. Total for missionary contributions, \$90.18.

Total of contributions, \$2,236.55.

REMARKS.

At a parish meeting, held just before Easter, the renting of sittings in the church was given up, and the free-church system, with an offering at each service, was unanimously adopted.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEE.

The Rev. SAMUEL HAVEN HILLIARD, *Rector*.LUCIUS CROCKER AND JOHN HANNA, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; died, 2; present number, 50. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.56. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$176.78; pew rents, \$234.02; donations, \$100; total, \$510.80. Sunday school, \$26.57. Other parochial objects: viz., choir, \$150; poor, \$9; total, \$185.57. Total for objects within the parish, \$714.93.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$10.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$3.93. Deaf-mute mission, \$2.80. Sufferers by Western floods, \$5.08. Box for sufferers by Western floods, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$42.81.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Domestic missions in general, \$19.11. Foreign missions in general, \$3.06. Total for missionary contributions, \$42.17.

Total of contributions, \$799.41.

REMARKS.

In addition to the regular services at St. George's, Lee, the Rector of this parish has held service twice a month at South Lee; once a month, with a few exceptions (owing to heavy snowstorms), at Otis; once every month but one at East Lee; and has given one service at Van Deusenville.

Three of the confirmations reported above were at Otis; one of the persons presented there being a member of St. George's parish, the other two members of St. Paul's, Otis.

TRINITY CHURCH, LENOX.

The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, *Rector*.

R. T. AUCHMUTY AND EDMUND SPENCER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 8; total added, 8; died, 1; present number, 57. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Sittings, 800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), \$115. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$465.52; pew rents, \$1,635; investments, \$12.12; total, \$2,152.64. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,267.64.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$22.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$35. Christian or theological education (Holy-Communion Church Institute, Charleston, S.C.), \$176. Total for objects without the parish, \$223.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$70. Domestic missions in general, \$50; box for freedmen, \$250; total, \$300. Foreign missions in general, \$100. Total for missionary contributions, \$470.

Total of contributions, \$2,961.14.

ST. LUKE'S MISSION, LINDEN.

The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, *Rector*.

THOMAS LEGATE FISHER, A.B., *Lay Reader*.

JOHN ROSSBOROUGH, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 11; removed, 2; present number, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$416.14. Sunday school, \$41. Increase and improvement of church property, \$29.85. Other parochial objects, \$43. Total for objects within the parish, \$529.99.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$8.15.

Total of contributions, \$538.14.

REMARKS.

The services have been kept up by lay-readers, with occasional visits from neighboring clergymen. Since November last, both morning and evening services have been held, with Sunday school in the afternoon. The new hall was occupied in September.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LONGWOOD. .

The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, *Rector*.

S. L. BUSH and S. H. GREGORY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 4; total, 12. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 7; total added, 13; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 156. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$50,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$54,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$4,125.50; subscriptions, \$1,200; total, \$5,325.50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$500; Christmas expenses, \$86.20; total, \$586.20. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,911.70.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$58.95. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$68.76. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$40.65. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$63. Erection of churches and chapels, \$113. Girls' Friendly Society, \$38.67. Society for Increase of Ministry, \$30.05. Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$483.08.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$211.99. Domestic missions in general, \$195.10; mite chests, \$21.06; Bishop J. A. Paddock, \$26.25; Woman's Auxillary, \$36.60; total, \$279.01. Foreign missions in general, \$132.25; orphanage in Mexico, \$60; L. M. Fay scholarship, \$10, — \$202.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$693.25.

Total of contributions, \$7,088.03.

REMARKS.

The attendance during the past year has been larger than ever before, and the various organizations of the parish have been actively at work. Five boxes of clothing, valued at \$492, have been sent to the missionary field. The church has been the recipient, from a member, of a beautiful memorial corona for the chancel.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D., *Rector*.

The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON and the Rev. FRANCIS GILLIAT,
Assistants.

JOHN O. GREEN, M.D., and JOHN M. PEVEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 102; adults, 7; total, 109. Confirmed, 25. Communicants: Admitted, 28; received, 13; total added, 41; died, 9; removed, 5;

total lost, 14; present number, 519. Marriages, 49. Funerals, 37. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 202. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 200. School building: Value, \$8,000. Parsonage: Value, \$13,300. Bells, organ, library, \$11,700. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$83,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH — Alms at Holy Communion, \$277.02. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church for surplised choir, \$245.67; pew rents, \$3,550.39; other sources, \$200; total, \$3,996.06. Sunday school, \$88.94. Rector's library, \$45.75. Home work in St. Anne's, \$73.08. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,480.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$24.95. Convention Fund, included in current expenses. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$24.86. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$31.05. Christian or theological education, \$274.77. Erection of churches and chapels, \$74.57. St. Mary's Orphanage, Lowell, \$124.33. Hospital Sunday, \$94.46. Church Mission for Deaf-mutes, \$18.47. Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$21.10. Girls' Friendly Society, Home in Boston, \$18. Total for objects without the parish, \$706.56.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$103.52. Domestic missions in general, \$69.67; Bishop Spalding's work in Colorado, \$36.86; Freedmen's Department, \$21.31; total, \$128.64. Foreign missions in general, \$44.53; Bishop Holy of Hayti, \$17.50, — \$62.03. Total for missionary contributions, \$293.59.

Total of contributions, \$5,481.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, *Rector*.

HENRY P. WEBBER and SAMUEL J. GIBBY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adults, 1; total, 23. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 20; total added, 34; died, 3; removed, 31; total lost, 34; present number, 281. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 166. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms not elsewhere reported, \$69.75. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$443.61; pew rents, \$1,367.80; subscriptions paid for reduction of debt, \$673; donations from Improvement Society, \$202; from Sunday school, \$60; total, \$2,746.41. For Sunday school, \$101.83. Increase and improvement of church property, from Sunday school, \$35.37. Christmas and Easter decorations, \$20. For the choir, \$13. For surplises and stoles, \$36.88. Additional from Parish Aid Society, \$30. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,079.29.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$14. Total for objects without the parish, \$49.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.

Total of contributions, \$3,148.29.

HOUSE OF PRAYER, LOWELL.

The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, *Rector*.

JAMES EMMOTT and JAMES DRIVER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 5; total, 7. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 3; total added, 8; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 50. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$550; other sources, \$48.52; total, \$598.52. Sunday school, \$16. Total for objects within the parish, \$614.52.

REMARKS.

I was much surprised to find in the Journal of the last Convention that there was "no report" from the "House of Prayer." I certainly made one out, and left it upon the table with the report from the parish in Chelmsford. It was an unusually good year with us. We had nine confirmed, and the attendance on the services was good. This year we are holding our own, and the parish is making an effort to be received into union with the Convention.

ST. STEPHEN'S MEMORIAL CHURCH, LYNN.

The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, *Rector*.

WILLIAM F. JOHNSON and THOMAS B. KNIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 8; total, 20. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 7; total added, 18; removed, 2; present number, about 400. Marriages, 18. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 30; scholars, 300. Girls' Industrial School: Teachers, 36; scholars, 433. Total, 799.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$5,173.59. Sunday school, \$44.10. Infant School library, \$11. Girls' Industrial School, \$96.02. Added to Parish Library Endowment Fund (making present amount \$655.93), \$179.55. Added to Industrial School Endowment Fund (making present amount \$348.83), \$100. Parish wedding present to Rector, \$510. General charities, etc., \$190.11. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,304.37.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$30. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$10. Margaret Coffin Prayer-book Society, \$8. Theological education, \$20.13. Bishop's Fund, towards discharge of note, \$250. Lynn Boarding House for Women, \$70.50. Lynn City Hospital, \$66. Total for objects without the parish, \$517.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$121.11. Domestic missions: Rev. Mr. Jacob, \$33; Indian box, \$36.60; Fannie Paddock Memorial Hospital, \$63; salaries to missionaries, etc., \$14.50; Maine, \$10; Jews, \$22.96; total, \$180.06. Foreign missions: St. John's College, China, \$40; insurance dues for missionaries, \$10; Miss Bruce's salary, \$8;

Africa, \$5; Mexico, \$15; total, \$78. Total for missionary contributions, \$879.17.

Total of contributions, \$7,200.67.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MALDEN.

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON, *Rector*.

GEORGE C. TATE, *Lay-Reader*.

GEORGE CHARLES TATE, ROBERT HENRY WATERS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 27; adults, 3; total, 30. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 38; received, 3; total added, 41; died, 2; removed, 16; total lost, 18; present number, 103. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 111. Church: Value, \$13,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$13,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$83.14. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,250.15. Sunday school, offerings for its own expenses, \$50.49. In Parish Guild for charitable objects, \$33.75. In Parish Guild for other parish purposes, \$68.64. For Christmas and Easter festivals, \$73.95. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,560.12.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, interest on note, \$10.50. Convention Fund, \$18. Total objects without the parish, \$28.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions in general, \$2; Fund for Deaf-mutes, \$1.69; promoting Christianity among Jews, \$3.81; work among Indians, \$30.20; total, \$42.70. Foreign missions in general, \$19.26. By subscriptions for general missions, \$48.78. Total for missionary contributions, \$155.74.

Total of contributions, \$2,744.36.

REMARKS.

Plans for a Sunday-school room and parish house, to be erected on the north side of the church, have been adopted; and it is expected that by the middle of May the building will be begun with a probable expense of about \$2,000.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD.

The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HARRIS, *Rector*.

EZEKIEL RUSSELL and WILLIAM D. T. TREFRY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 102. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 83. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$1,200; sittings, 100. Parsonage: Value, \$6,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$73.35. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,787.26. Sunday school,

\$71.45; insurance on church, \$18.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,900.81.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$60. Convention Fund, \$15. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$4.61. Total for objects without the parish, \$79.61.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$34.40. Domestic and foreign: One-half to each, \$107; Sunday school, for Bishop Paddock of Washington Territory, \$9.25; for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$3.18. Total for missionary contributions, \$153.78.

Total of contributions, \$2,134.20.

REMARKS.

During the year the title to the church property has been transferred to the "Trustees of Donations of the Episcopal Church."

GRACE CHURCH, MEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, *Rector*.

FREDERICK M. TILDEN and WILLIAM J. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 2; total, 11. Confirmed, 5. Communicants, about 125. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 77. Parochial school: Teachers, 1; scholars, 8.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$78.55. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$232.89; collections in church, \$230.10; pew rents, \$1,329.06; investments, \$600; total, \$2,392.05. Increase and improvement of church property, \$2,671.98. Children's Christmas festival, \$44. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,186.58.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$31.50. Convention Fund, \$21. Total for objects without the parish, \$52.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Foreign missions in general, \$8.10.

Total of contributions, \$5,247.18.

REMARKS.

During the past year a very substantial and convenient chapel and Sunday-school building has been erected, and is now in constant use. The cost, including furnishing, was \$7,696.10; all of which was promptly paid on the completion of the building. Of the foregoing amount, \$5,125 was reported at the last Convention as having been collected. The building, in addition to accommodations for religious purposes, contains an admirable room for a day-school which has been established, and is most satisfactorily administered by the teacher, Miss May Locke.

CHRIST CHURCH, MEDWAY.

The Rev. SAMUEL EDWARDS, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 4; total, 11. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 1; total added, 5; present number, 14. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 26.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$108.28; subscriptions, \$00; donations, \$848; total, \$516.28. Sunday school, \$24.70. Total for objects within the parish, \$540.98.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$3.50. Convention Fund, \$3.75. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$7.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$14.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.65. Domestic and foreign, \$12.30. Total for missionary contributions, \$24.01.

Total of contributions, \$579.74.

REMARKS.

The prospects of this mission are decidedly encouraging; the attendance at the services is well kept up, and, indeed, is rather increasing.

The inevitable deficiency of income has been made up by the noble churchman by whom the church-building was finished and prepared for use.

Many generous gifts have been received: a handsome communion-set from a devout lady (not of the parish); a carpet for the church floor, and two service-books, from a gentleman who is a summer attendant; several articles of church furniture from others; through the missionary at large, a donation of Sunday-school books from the Church of the Good Shepherd at West Springfield; and a set of valuable books, for the commencement of a parish library, from the *friend who anticipates our desires*.

TRINITY CHURCH, MELROSE.

The Rev. CHARLES LANCASTER SHORT, M.A., *Rector*.

J. HARRISON WARD and ROYAL PIERCE BARRY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 101. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 55. Church: Value, \$4,500; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms for poor, \$19.49. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,202.14. Sunday school, \$11.23. Christmas Sunday-school festival, \$40. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,272.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$12. Town charitable work, \$34.82. Total for objects without the parish, \$81.82.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$23. Domestic missions: Dakota League, \$11; Sunday school, \$24.89. Foreign missions in general, \$2.50; Hayti, \$7.16. Total for missionary contributions, \$68.05.

Total of contributions, \$1,422.73.

REMARKS.

Besides filling part of the assignments of the Dakota League, twenty-three articles of clothing have been sent to the sisters at Haverhill for the children under their care. The Sunday school, beside their Lenten offer-

ings, sent a barrel of books and papers to Mrs. Buford for her work among the colored children. There is a fund for a Sunday-school building, recently started, amounting to \$1,070. The Rector acknowledges several valuable gifts to him from the parish within the last two years.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, METHUEN.

The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, B.D., *Rector*.

WILLIAM BEVINGTON and THOMAS BURNLEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 20; adults, 1; total, 21. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 7; total added, 9; removed, 4; present number, 205. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 135.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,474.57. Parochial objects, \$197.40. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,671.97.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — St. Mary's Orphanage (colored), Baltimore, Md., \$25.

Total of contributions, \$1,696.97.

TRINITY CHURCH, MILFORD.

The Rev. SAMUEL EDWARDS, *Officiating Clergyman*.

CHARLES DOVE and GEORGE G. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Present number, about 80. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 45. Church and land and organ: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 252.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.91; Easter offertory, \$22.55, — \$49.46. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$96.20; pew rents, \$483.76; subscriptions, \$11; total, \$590.96. Sunday school, \$26.48. Ladies' Society, \$224.61. Total for objects within the parish, \$891.51.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$4.77. Woman's Auxiliary of the Parish, \$9.11. Total for objects without the parish, \$13.88.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$9. Domestic and foreign missions, \$10.78. Total for missionary contributions, \$19.78.

Total of contributions, \$925.17.

REMARKS.

The ladies of the parish, through "The Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions," have sent to the family of a clergyman of the Diocese several articles of clothing, valued at rather more than twenty-five dollars.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILLVILLE.

The Rev. JESSE ELLIOT HEALD, *Rector*.

H. S. MANSFIELD and WILLIAM A. COLE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 7; died, 2; removed, 4; total lost, 6; present number, 75. Mar-

riages, 2. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$5,500. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$46.42. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$14.07; pew rents, \$339.41; subscriptions, \$105; donations, \$12.50; other sources, \$50; total, \$520.98. Sunday school, \$59.85; increase and improvement of church property, \$200.92. Total for objects within the parish, \$828.37.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$12.25; Convention Fund, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$17.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$880.52.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NANTUCKET.

The Rev. LEVI BOYER, *Rector*.

ARTEMUS DAVIS and CHARLES H. STARBUCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Received, 1; removed, 1; present number, 30. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$1,400; sittings, 230. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$66. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$310.29; donations, \$300. Other sources: Church fair, \$200; total, \$810.29. Sunday school, \$3.70. Increase and improvement of church property, \$155. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,064.99.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30.

Total of contributions, \$1,094.99.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NATICK.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Rector*.

MR. HOWARD NICHOLS WAKEMAN, *Lay Reader*.

FRANK E. CUMMINGS and CHARLES E. HAMILTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 2; total, 13. Communicants: Received, 9; died, 1; removed, 6; total lost, 7; present number, 60. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 70. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$436.44. Sunday-school offerings, \$30.51. Ladies' Parish Aid Society, \$166.21. Church music, \$11.20. Total for objects within the parish, \$644.36.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$4.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.90.

Total of contributions, \$659.76.

REMARKS.

The year has been marked by evident gain, though the parish is yet comparatively weak both numerically and financially. There has been an increased attendance upon services, and there is well-grounded encouragement to expect increased prosperity. A class for confirmation is awaiting the next visitation of the Bishop.

During the year Mr. Howard N. Wakeman has rendered very efficient service as lay reader, to whom the Rector and parish feel greatly indebted.

We report sixty communicants: this includes a number living in one or two adjoining towns, who attend the church *occasionally*, and are reported as they are connected with no other parish.

GRACE CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. GEORGE A. STRONG, *Rector*.

C. B. H. FESSENDEN and EDMUND RODMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 3; total, 16. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 8; total added, 20; died, 6; present number, 180. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 28; scholars, 197.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$247.34. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$498.04; pew rents, \$4,216.81; total, \$4,714.85. Sunday school, \$138.37. Increase and improvement of church property, \$158.27. Other parochial objects, \$224.05. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,482.88.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$81.27. Erection of churches and chapels, \$21.04. For other objects without the parish, \$40. Total for objects without the parish, \$212.31.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$109.12. Domestic missions in general, \$129.48; for the freedmen (clothing), \$18; total, \$147.48. Foreign missions in general, \$78.54; to Miss Hill, Athens, Greece, \$10; towards Miss Bruce's salary, Shanghai, \$10, — \$98.54. Total for missionary contributions, \$355.14.

Total of contributions, \$6,050.33.

REMARKS.

A chime of ten bells, weighing eleven thousand pounds, has been placed in the tower, the gift of the late Stephen G. Driscoll, a communicant of the church at the time of his death, and a warm friend of the parish for many years.

The bells were furnished by Messrs. Meneely & Co. of Troy at a cost of five thousand dollars.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES HAYDEN PROCTOR, *Rector*.

ANDREW BANNISTER and GIDEON N. BARTLETT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 25; adults, 4; total, 29. Confirmed, 7. Communicants, about 125. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$20,000. School-building: Value, \$200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$25. current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the altar, \$273.17; pew rents, \$856.03; donations, \$20.58; interest, \$349.71; \$1,499.49. Sunday school, \$100; increase and improvement of church property, and reduction of debt, \$2,038.21. Total for objects within parish, \$3,662.70.

Total of contributions, \$3,662.70.

REMARKS.

The Rector of this parish wishes to place on record his appreciation of the parochial year of the unselfish and devoted interest of the trustees of the parish, Mr. Alfred Thornton. The labor of establishing a church work has so largely devolved upon the Rector alone for the past five years that no expression of gratitude can be out of place as in this present year, when, by the manly, consistent, and untiring effort of a layman, the burden is not only lightened, but the work itself materially strengthened. The value of the church itself has been greatly increased, *without adding anything to its indebtedness*, by valuable memorial decorations. A schoolroom has been donated; and, with the assistance of a few friends who generously replied to a suggestion of its needs, more than half of the remains unpaid on the original cost of the church-building has been cleared away. The Rector feels that the work of the church has been singularly greatly blessed, and so respectfully submits in his report.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWBURYPORT.

[No report.]

GRACE CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, Rector.

L. L. WARD, Lay Reader.

EDWIN F. WATERS and GEORGE S. BULLEN, Church-Wardens.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 6; total, 15. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: present number, about 225. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 140.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$230. current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$6,590.88. Sunday school, \$130. Other parochial objects: viz., reduction of debt on church-bill, \$3,500.25; nucleus of a fund for a parish house, \$120; proceeds of sale above purpose, \$150. Total for objects within the parish, \$10,721.13.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convalescent Fund, \$37.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$20. Episcopal Clerical Fund, Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5. St. Luke Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$10. Christian or theological education, \$18. Erection of churches and chapels, \$12. Orphanages, etc., \$240. Total for objects without the parish, \$240.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5. Eastern Convocation, \$46.31; total, \$105.90. Domestic: Goods value \$200; special offering for colored people, \$25; total, \$225. Foreign missions in general, \$50.20. Total for missionary contributions, \$381.10.

Total of contributions, \$11,342.23.

REMARKS.

On the 4th of February, 1883, I began to hold services in a hall at Newton Highlands, three miles away from the parish church.

The new work has been greatly blessed; the attendance ranging from 100 to 225 each Sunday afternoon, and a class being ready for confirmation.

On the Festival of SS. Phillip and James, it is intended (D. V.) to break ground for the new chapel, the greater part of the cost of which is already pledged.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WEST NEWTON AND AUBURN-DALE.

The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, *Rector*.

GEORGE B. KNAPP and WALTER C. WARE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adults, 3; total, 25. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 36; total added, 50; died, 1; removed, 5; total lost, 6; present number, 105. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 51. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$955.79. Sunday school, from parish, \$9.23; from Sunday school, \$6.76, — \$15.99. Christmas festival, \$23.55; Easter decorations, \$15.70. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,011.03.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$17.50. Convention Fund, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$22.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, from parish, \$21.20; from Sunday school, \$12.74, — \$33.94. Domestic: for Nashotah, \$5; for Bishop Tuttle (from Sunday school), \$13.34; for a missionary in North Carolina (from Ladies' Aid Society), a box of clothing valued at \$111.21; also, for freedmen in Mississippi, a box of books valued at \$8; total, \$137.55. Foreign missions in general, from Sunday school, \$5.68. Total for missionary contributions, \$177.17.

Total of contributions, \$1,210.70.

REMARKS.

Gifts have been received from kind friends during the past year as follows: viz., altar, with full set of vestments for the different seasons, credence-table, chalice and paten of solid silver, a metal altar memorial cross, pair of metal vases, and metal altar-desk.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

The Rev. HENRY MACKAY (to Oct. 5, 1882), *Rector*.

ISAAC HAGAR and RUFUS MOULTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 2; total, 5. Communicants: Died, 7; removed, 10; total lost, 17; present number, 115. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 48. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$1,133.44; pew rents, \$118.26; subscriptions, \$130; donations, \$440; other sources, \$93.42; total, \$1,915.11.

Total of contributions, \$1,915.11.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH ADAMS.

The Rev. HARRY INNES BODLEY, *Rector*.

CHARLES H. READ and ANSON D. MINER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 34; adults, 4; total, 38. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 4; total added, 15; died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7; present number, 141. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 154. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$22.85. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$597.47; pew rents, \$1,513; subscriptions, \$401; total, \$2,511.47. Sunday school, \$10.62. Rectory Fund, \$310.84. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,855.78.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42. Convention Fund, \$18. Total for objects without the parish, \$60.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$41. Domestic missions in general, \$27.80. Foreign missions in general, \$10.68. Total for missionary contributions, \$85.38.

Total of contributions, \$3,001.16.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORTH ANDOVER.

The Rev. AUGUSTINE HEARD AMORY, *Missionary*.

WILLIAM J. DALE and THOMAS P. CARTER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 31; adults, 6; total, 37. Communicants: Admitted, 13; received, 4; total added, 17; died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7; present number, 47. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 101. Church: Value, \$8,100; sittings, 240. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,750.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$11.84. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,159.06. Sunday school, \$62.28. Easter decorations, \$11.23. Christmas expenses, \$35. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,279.41.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$14.

Total of contributions, \$1,293.41.

REMARKS.

In addition to my duties in North Andover, I have worked with the Rev. William Lawrence at Grace Church, Lawrence, as his assistant.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON.**The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, *Rector.*****W. C. ROBINSON and D. W. CRAFTS, *Church-Wardens.*****Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 11.****CONTRIBUTIONS.****OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$24.35. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,470.36. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,494.71.****Total of contributions, \$1,494.71.****GRACE CHURCH, NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH.****The Rev. GEORGE ENDICOTT OSGOOD, *Rector.*****OTIS STANLEY and ABEL R. BLOCK, *Church-Wardens.*****Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 2; total, 15. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Total added, 13; died, 1; present number, 65. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 95. Church: Value, \$11,000; sittings, 250. Parsonage: Value, \$3,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,500.****CONTRIBUTIONS.****OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$53.89. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$229.14; pew rents, \$774.07; total, \$1,003.21. Insurance on church property, \$78.10. From "Ladies' Social" for taxes, etc., \$327.27. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,457.47.****OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$6.70.****MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.61. Foreign missions in general, \$5.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$17.11.****Total of contributions, \$1,481.28.****REMARKS.****An organ fund, started some two years ago, has, from time to time, received such additions, that, by some extra effort during the past year, it was completed, and a pipe-organ from the manufactory of Hook & Hastings placed in the church, and thus a long-felt need supplied.****GRACE CHURCH, OXFORD.****The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Missionary.*****EMORY E. HARWOOD and LEONARD E. THAYER, *Church-Wardens.*****Communicants: Present number, 15. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 175. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$23,000.**

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH — Alms at Holy Communion, \$14. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$70.83; Ladies' Aid Society, \$157.96; total, \$228.79. Total for objects within the parish, \$242.79.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6.60.

Total of contributions, \$249.39.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PEABODY.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary*.

EDGAR W. UPTON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 15; total added, 19; died, 1; removed, 12; total lost, 13; present number, 60. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$1,000; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$425.34; donations, \$27.25; total, \$452.59. Improvement of church property, \$100. For the poor, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$577.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$3. Christian or theological education, \$5.40. Total for objects without the parish, \$8.40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Gift to a mission, \$12. Domestic missions in general, \$2.27; box for Indian missions, value \$83.75; to Jews, \$1.50. Foreign missions in general, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$94.52.

Total of contributions, \$680.51.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, *Rector*.

WILLIAM E. VERMILYÉ, M.D., and FRANK E. KERNOCHAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 26; adults, 2; total, 28. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Admitted, 19; received, 15; total added, 34; died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7; present number, about 200. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 110. Church: Value, \$25,000. Sittings, 400. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$250.41. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$991.99; pew rents, \$3,153.45; subscriptions, \$400; total, \$4,545.44. St. Andrew's Guild, \$90. Fair for guilds, \$125. Memorial offerings, \$15.07. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,025.92.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$47.25. Convention Fund, \$30. Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$22.87. Christian or theological education,

\$32.67. Miscellaneous, \$5. Summer services in Berkshire County, \$21.52. Sunday-school offerings, \$94.84. Home-Work Society, \$1.02. Total for objects without the parish, \$254.67.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$31.78. Domestic missions in general, \$37.33; for the Jews, \$27.68; deaf-mutes, \$5, — \$70.01. Foreign missions in general, \$37.32; St. John's College, Shanghai, \$60.02; to China, \$16.97; special, \$3, — \$117.31. Total for missionary contributions, \$219.10.

Total of contributions, \$5,499.69.

REMARKS.

The energies of this parish are principally found in four organizations: I. "St. Stephen's Guild" of young men; II. "The St. Phoebe Society" of young ladies; III. "The Guild of the Holy Child" for little girls; IV. "St. Andrew's Guild" for boys. The question of building a new church, or of enlarging the present edifice, is at present occupying the attention of the parishioners; and the sum of \$2,900 is now on hand as a nucleus.

CHRIST CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

The Rev. CHARLES DOUGLAS BARBOUR, *Rector*.

CHARLES PARSONS MORSE, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 3; Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 2; total added, 6; present number, 45. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$480.72; donations, \$120; other sources, \$75.78; total, \$676.50. Sunday school, \$21.77. Total for objects within the parish, \$698.27.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$4.

Total of contributions, \$702.27.

REMARKS.

When I took charge four months ago, I was able to account for 39 communicants (during my stay I have admitted 4, received 2, as above). The church has been improved by the addition of gas.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUINCY.

The Rev. HENRY EVAN COTTON, *Rector*.

WILLIAM AMORY, Jun., and PETER BUTLER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Communicants: Received, 8; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 200. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, and special charities, \$193.69. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Col-

lections in church, \$424.72; pew rents, \$1,445.92; donations, \$450; investments, \$200; other sources, \$20; total, \$2,550.64. Increase and improvement of church property, \$396. For Christmas expenses, offertory and gifts, \$124.49; for parish and Sunday-school needs, \$148.92; by Sunday-school classes, \$4.44. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,417.18.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45.50. Convention Fund, \$19.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$12. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$16. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5. St Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$23.15. Christian or theological education, \$17.24. American Church-Building Fund, \$18.12. By Sunday-school classes, \$8.32. Children's Fresh-Air Charity, \$25.70; do. from the Emmanuel Sunday-school class, \$6.82. Parish mite-chests, \$19.40. Total for objects without the parish, \$216.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$24.30. Domestic missions in general, \$16.26; domestic missions in the Far West, \$16; Indian missions, \$13.75; freedmen's missions, \$15; Indian box, \$37; box for missionary in the South, \$100; ladies' Lenten offering, \$43; Jewish missions, \$12; total, \$252.01. Foreign: Mexican missions, \$32.06; sent by infant class for Mexico, \$15; mission work in China, \$15; Bishop Holly's work, \$10; Miss Bruce's salary, \$22; total, \$94.06. Total for missionary contributions, \$370.37.

Total of contributions, \$4,004.30.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCHDALE.

The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Rector*.

ISAAC B. HARTWELL and CHARLES H. DEVOE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Communicants: Present number, 50. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 58. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$35. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$143.08; pew rents, \$259; donations, \$62.50; total, \$464.59. Ladies' Aid Society, \$291.44. Sunday school, \$20. Increase and improvement of church property, \$34. Total for objects within the parish, \$845.03.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$7.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.62. Foreign missions in general (given by the Sunday school), \$22. Total for missionary contributions, \$37.62.

Total of contributions, \$890.15.

GRACE CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN SHREVE and DANIEL B. HAGAR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 2; total, 11. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; died, 1; present number, 140. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Special for poor, \$25. Alms at Holy Communion, \$239.45. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$2,576.27; pledges, \$625; total, \$3,201.27. Sunday school, \$26.63. Girls' Friendly Society, \$133.19. Christmas festival, \$81. Easter festival, \$18. Easter offering for chapel fund and other objects, \$300. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,019.54.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$27. Salem Relief Committee, \$40. Total for objects without the parish, \$119.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$80.13. Domestic missions in general, \$41.29. Foreign missions in general, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$161.42.

Total of contributions, \$4,300.46.

REMARKS.

A branch of the Girls' Friendly Society has been established, and is working successfully. It has on its roll 25 working associates, 20 honorary associates, and 34 members.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., *Rector.*

CHARLES H. BATES and CHARLES F. CURWEN, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Communicants: Died, 5; present number, 290. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: About the same as last year.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, and for the poor, \$440. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$3,500; subscriptions, boys' choir, and supplies, \$491.50; subscriptions, \$150; total, \$4,141.50. Sunday school, \$138.75. Rectory Fund, \$130.82. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,851.07.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$44. Clergy Relief Fund, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$49.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100.15; St. Paul's Mission, Peabody, by Sunday school, \$27.25; total, \$127.40. Domestic missions in general, \$166; Dakota League, \$37; Faribault, \$27; Nebraska, \$27; freedmen, \$25; "Fannie Paddock" Hospital, Washington Territory, \$10; Nashotah, by Sunday school, \$21; scholarship at St. Mark's, Salt Lake City, by Sunday school, \$40; Indian missions, \$85; box for domestic missions, \$97.49; Sister Eliza, \$20; Mrs. Buford, \$8; Mrs. Payne, \$25; Dr. Tucker, \$10; total, \$598.49. Foreign: Miss Bruce of China, \$15. Total for missionary contributions, \$740.89.

Total of contributions, \$5,640.96.

REMARKS.

On account of the absence of the Rector, there has been no confirmation.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD.

GEORGE H. LEMIST and LEVI ROYS, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Died, 1; present number, 20. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Teachers, 4; scholars, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion alms, about \$12. Contributions and pledges, \$332.28; total, \$344.28.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$10.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan missions, \$26.81. Woman's auxiliary, \$3. Total for missions, \$29.81.

Total of contributions, \$384.59.

EMMANUEL MISSION, SHELBURNE FALLS.

The Rev. CHARLES WADSWORTH DUFFIELD, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 2; total added, 6, removed 3; present number, 19. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 65.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$16.58. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$135.48; subscriptions, \$439.75; other sources, \$123.60; total, \$698.83. Sunday school, and for Sunday-school library, \$83.18. Total for objects within the parish, \$808.59.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.58.

Total of contributions, \$825.17.

REMARKS.

Our church-work in this place is little more than a year old. The first service was held Dec. 18, 1881, by the general missionary, Rev. John S. Beers. But there has been a conjunction of circumstances that already makes the mission conspicuous in the village. Our Sunday school numbers 70 and more interested children and adults. There are 19 communicants, and 40 families, in whom we have a growing interest. And now for these there is to be built a beautiful memorial granite church and chapel, — the superb gift of one family. The best site the village affords has been purchased for these buildings; and they are promised for use by Christmas next. May we all prove faithful to Him from whom cometh every good and perfect gift.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, *Rector*.

REUBEN P. BENTON and SAMUEL REYNOLDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 19; total added, 20; removed, 16; present number, 93. Marriages, 3.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$243.63; collections in church,

\$685.47; subscriptions, \$685.10; other sources, \$194.01. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,808.21.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Domestic missions in general: through the Woman's Auxiliary, \$10. Foreign missions in general: through the Woman's Auxiliary, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$35.

Total of contributions, \$1,893.21.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, EAST SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 33; adults, 3; total, 36. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 6; total added, 18; died, 9; removed, 6; total lost, 15; present number, 190. Marriages, 18. Funerals, 30. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 189. Church: Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,478; donations, \$60. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,538.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Total for objects without the parish, \$70.

Total of contributions, \$1,608.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTHBOROUGH.

[Vacant.]

JOSEPH BURNETT and LEANDER W. NEWTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms, no record. Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 35. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 180. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,116.92; collections in church, \$118.42; donations, \$25; total, \$1,260.34. Sunday school: Papers and library, \$18.76. Other parochial objects, \$10.35. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,289.45.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12. Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$4.09. Total for objects within the parish, \$16.09.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$28.33. Domestic and foreign missions, \$69.98. Total for missionary contributions, \$98.31.

Total of contributions, \$1,403.85.

ST. JAMES'S, SOUTH GROVELAND.

The Rev. ALBERT EUGENE GEORGE, *Rector*.CHARLES A. SHAW and HARRY H. HALE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 1; total, 16. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; present number, 66. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 65. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.06. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$26.06; pew rents, \$219.47; subscriptions, \$1,843.81; total, \$2,089.36. Sunday school, \$38.55. Sociables, for Christmas and Easter expenses, \$43. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,189.59.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$12. Bishop Whipple, for Divinity School at Fairbault, Minn., \$3. Total for objects without the parish, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$3. Domestic missions in general, \$1.06. Foreign missions in general, \$1.06. Total missionary contributions, \$10.10.

Total of contributions, \$2,222.69.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above the Rector held seven services on Sunday afternoons at Georgetown, and gave weekly instructions in book-keeping, English grammar, and Latin, to members of the parish.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, SOUTH LINCOLN.

The Rev. P. H. STEENSTRA, D.D., *Minister in Charge*.GEORGE G. CHENEY and BENJAMIN H. HOAR, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Died, 1; removed, 6; total lost, 7; present number, 33. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$317.11; subscriptions, \$66; donations, \$106; other sources, \$311.93; total, \$801.04. Sunday school, \$30.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$831.54.

Total of contributions, \$831.54.

REMARKS.

The parish is happy to report the gift of a church-bell presented by J. H. Hubbell, Esq., at present resident within its boundaries. A tower for its reception is in process of erection, which promises greatly to enhance the quiet rural beauty of the church. The parish also desires to record its

gratitude for the unwearied and ready generosity with which a few Boston friends constantly remember its wants, as shown by every annual report of its finances.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, *Rector*.

JOHN B. STEBBINS and JAMES D. BREWER, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 26; adults, 4; total, 30. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Present number, 590. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: 2; officers and teachers, 36; scholars, 210. Sewing school and kitchen garden: Teachers, 10; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$65,000; sittings, 900. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the church, \$69,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$353.01. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,276.92; pew rents, \$4,308.56; subscriptions, \$9,816.59; other sources, \$316.98; total, \$16,072.06. Sunday school, \$170.34. Sewing society and sewing school, \$70. Easter flowers for church and children, \$62.75. Christmas-tree, \$50. Young People's Society, \$75. Sunday-school picnic and parish sociable, \$57. Total for objects within the parish, \$16,557.15.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$105. Convention Fund, \$30. Christian or theological education, \$95. Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children, \$343.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$578.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$60; Western Convocation, \$12, — \$72. Domestic missions: For Bishop Tuttle, \$25; for Mrs. Buford (freedmen), \$40; for Rev. Mr. Quinn (freedmen), \$10; missionary box to St. Mary's School (Indian), \$40; missionary box to freedmen, \$40, — \$155. Foreign missions: For work in Japan, \$45; Sunday-school scholarship in China, \$50, — \$95. Total for missionary contributions, \$322.

Total of contributions, \$17,452.40.

REMARKS.

The past year has been a very prosperous one for the parish in every way. The sum of \$15,000 has been subscribed by the congregation towards the payment of the church debt of \$43,000, which, with the sum of \$15,000 realized last fall by the sale of the old church property, leaves us with an incumbrance of only \$18,000; and, furthermore, for the final payment of this also, a member of the congregation assures us of provision by a legacy of property to the amount of it. Thus the close of the year finds us virtually free from the burden of debt of \$43,000, which has hampered us so much hitherto, and prepared in the future to realize many things which have been impossibilities while it rested upon us.

It is especially gratifying to note, that, while this good work has been going on in regard to the private interests of the parish, also its contributions for objects outside of itself have more than doubled those of last year.

The list of communicants has been thoroughly revised this spring; and, though the number reported above differs very little from that of last year, yet many erasures and additions have been made.

The Rector has held mission services at Chicopee during the winter with encouraging attendance; twenty communicants having received the Lord's Supper, who are not included in the above report.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, (deducting \$130.53 specially appropriated and reported elsewhere, \$425.87; All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in \$425.87; subscriptions, \$385.75; pew rents, \$1,335.25; other sources, total, \$2,784.62. Parochial missions, \$300. Cabinet organ, \$125. school Christmas-tree, \$128.50. Special offerings for the poor, Clothing for poor, \$33.88. Total for objects within the parish, \$

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$36.52; Corn Fund, \$22.50; Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$53.41; relief of the fam clergyman deceased, \$175. Total for objects without the parish, \$2

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, Domestic missions, \$296.89. Missions in general, \$100.95. Work of League, \$101.64. Total for missionary contributions, \$648.54.

Total of contributions, \$4,560.58.

REMARKS.

Two missionary boxes have been sent, one to Hampton, Va., and the West. A valuable lot of clothing was also sent to the sufferers Western floods. The Rev. S. H. Hilliard, acting as assistant, services once a fortnight at South Lee, and once a month at Otis; duty involving arduous effort through the severe weather of winter.

CHRIST CHURCH, SWANSEA.

The Rev. OTIS OLNEY WRIGHT, *Rector*.

WILLIAM H. PEARSE and HENRY O. WOOD, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 1. Communicants: Present number, 14. M. 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 10. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 200. Investments, \$1,500. Total value of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion.

REMARKS.

See last year's report.

There is nothing new requiring special mention in the work or condition of the parish.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. FRANCIS MANSFIELD, *Rector*.

HENRY NICKOLDS and JASON H. HAYWARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 2; total, 9. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Present number, 121. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 12. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$107.86. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$1,176.11; other sources, \$142.09; total, \$1,318.20. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,426.06.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$9.75. Domestic missions in general, \$5.67. Foreign missions in general, \$4. Total for missionary contributions, \$19.42.

Total of contributions, \$1,460.48.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROYD, *Rector*.

WILLIAM C. LOVERING and WILLIAM H. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 4; total, 14. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 8; died, 7; present number, 815. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 28; scholars, 256.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$325.19. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$4,541.88. Sunday school, \$143.57. Increase and improvement of church property, \$287.92. Robing room, \$40.98. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,339.54.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$56. Convention Fund, \$45. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$51.25. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$34. Associated Charities of Taunton, \$20. Aid to other parishes, \$250. Additional Sunday-school offerings, \$95. Total for objects without the parish, \$360.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$208.50. Domestic missions in general, \$260; Rev. B. B. Babbitt, by Sunday school, \$100; money and boxes to missionaries, \$340. Foreign missions in general, \$100.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,008.75.

Total of contributions, \$6,908.54.

TRINITY CHURCH, VAN DEUSENVILLE.

[Vacant.]

PERRY G. COMSTOCK and ALEXANDER SNYDER, *Church-Wardens*.

Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 60. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 400. Parsonage: Value, \$1,200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$21.65; pew rents, \$36.30; rent of parsonage, \$81; total, \$138.95. Sunday school, \$15. Total for objects within the parish, \$153.95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions: Indians and the poor, \$27.

Total of contributions, \$180.95.

REMARKS.

Since May, 1882, this parish has been without a clergyman. The pulpit has been vacant since the death of the Rev. D. G. Anderson, the former Rector. Occasional services have been held by a lay reader. Therefore no report can be made by a clergyman, or transcript of church records. As to the other matters required herein, it has been done, as far as he was able, by the clerk.

Arrangements are now being made, with fair prospects of success, to unite with the parish at Sheffield, and have both pulpits supplied by one clergyman, as formerly was done.

A subscription-paper is in circulation for that purpose, and is being received as well as in former years; but, in order to accomplish the object, the parish will have to be well aided by the Diocesan Board of Missions.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WAKEFIELD.

The Rev. SAMUEL HODGKISS (until June 1), *Rector*.(From June 1 to Easter) WILLIAM HALL WILLIAMS, *Lay Reader*.ADAM AUGUSTUS HAWKES and ROBERT BANTLEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 1; total, 11. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Died, 2; present number, about 60. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 36. Chapel: Value, \$5,700; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$637.12. Sunday school, \$30.25; other parochial objects, \$100; total, \$130.25. Total for objects within the parish, \$767.37.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions: value of box for Dakota League, \$18. Total for missionary contributions, \$28.

Total of contributions, \$795.37.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, WALTHAM.**The Rev. HENRY S. NASH, Minister.****WILLIAM H. CRAVEN, Church-Warden.**

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 20; total added, 25; present number, 50. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 103. Church: Value, \$10,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the church, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$28.38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$885.10. Sunday school, \$18. Total for objects within the parish, \$931.48.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$3.

Total of contributions, \$934.48.

This report is only from July 1, 1882, to April 23, 1883.

CHRIST CHURCH, WALTHAM.**The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, Rector.****The Rev. HENRY S. NASH, Assistant.****MOSES E. OSGOOD and OTIS E. HUNT, M.D., Church-Wardens.**

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 2; total, 17. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 3; total added, 12; died, 2; removed, 40; total lost, 42; present number, 167. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 24. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 82. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$134.65. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,292; Easter offering, \$229.47; Christmas offering, \$41; total, \$2,562.47. Sunday school, \$50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$550. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,297.12.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45. Convention Fund, \$19.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$12. Christian or theological education, \$12. Erection of churches and chapels, \$391. For other objects without the parish, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$491.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions in general, \$38.60. Jewish mission, \$11. Foreign missions in general, \$57.02. Total for missionary contributions, \$156.62.

Total of contributions, \$3,945.24.

REMARKS.

The various services and activities of this parish have gone forward as usual. At the last Convention we reported that a new church had been erected in a distinct and important section of the town. This church was

consecrated early in June, and has been placed in the hands of the Trustees of Donations. Services have thus far been self-sustaining, and there is promise of increasing usefulness in the midst of a rapidly growing population. These services have been under the care of the Assistant Minister, who has labored with unsparing zeal. He gives the accompanying report.

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, WEBSTER.

The Rev. LANGDON CHEYER STEWARDSON, *Rector*.

JAMES H. HOWE and JAMES FRANCIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 1; total, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 8; total added, 14; died, 1; removed, 19; total lost, 20; present number, 100. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 95. Sewing school: Teachers, 8; scholars, 31. Church: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$69.71. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$2,283.61. Sunday school, \$84. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,921. Sewing school, \$15. Reading-room association, \$172.61. Ladies' Aid Society, \$100. Christmas-tree, \$117. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,062.01.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$156.81 contributed to Convocation, \$13.14, — \$171.94. Domestic missions: 16th Dakota League, \$30.83. Total for missionary contributions, \$302.87.

Total of contributions, \$4,339.88.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, WESTFIELD.

[No report.]

TRINITY CHURCH, WEYMOUTH.

The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, *Rector*.

EDWARD AVERY and CHARLES A. CHESMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 3; total, 8. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 1; total added, 6; removed, 5; present number, 51. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 43. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$113.93; subscriptions, \$291; donations, \$173.60; other sources (Ladies' Aid Society, \$8.20), \$14.60; total, \$593.13. Sunday school (by school \$41.84), \$63.03. Parochial missions, \$21.28. Free distribution of "Parish Visitor," \$3.10. Total for objects within the parish, \$684.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$2.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.50. Domestic missions in general (by Sunday school \$2.15), \$16.15. Foreign missions in general, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$39.65.

Total of contributions, \$726.75.

REMARKS.

Of the 131 services of the year, 57 were held at East Braintree.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILKINSONVILLE.

The Rev. JOHN GREGSON, *Rector.*

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 1; total, 4. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; removed, 1; present number, 62. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$43.70. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$411.66. Sunday school, \$35. Other parochial objects, \$6.10. Total for objects within the parish, \$496.46.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$6. General Clergy Relief, \$11.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$17.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$31.76. Domestic missions in general, \$6.80. Foreign missions in general, \$6.30. Total for missionary contributions, \$61.86.

Total of contributions, \$575.82.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSTOWN.

[No report.]

WINCHESTER MISSION, WINCHESTER.

The Rev. CHARLES MORRIS ADDISON, *Missionary.*

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Present number, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 23.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$60.96; subscriptions, \$300; other sources, \$98; total, \$458.96. Sunday-school Christmas festival, \$13; Easter flowers, \$7.75; Sunday-school library, \$15. Total for objects within the parish, \$494.71.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.64.

Total of contributions, \$500.35.

REMARKS.

The work here was begun on the last Sunday in February, 1882; services being held by the Rev. Charles P. Parker. The present missionary was

appointed to take charge Oct. 1, 1882, thus connecting the work with that of St. John's Parish, Arlington.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOBURN.

The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adults, 2; total, 24. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 13; total added, 28; removed, 29; present number, 84. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 24. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$6,800; including the lot (value \$1,200), library, etc.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$415.60.

Total of contributions, \$415.60.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WOOD'S HOLL.

[No report.]

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D., *Rector*.

EDWARD L. DAVIS and CHARLES M. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 29; adults, 9; total, 38. Confirmed, 27. Communicants: Admitted, 27; received, 10; total added, 37; died, 8; removed, 3; total lost, 11; present number, 425. Marriages, 24. Funerals, 38. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 40; scholars, 400. Church and chapel: Value, \$14,000; sittings, 900. Parsonage: Value, \$14,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$154,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$536.31. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Subscriptions, \$8,826.83. Sunday school, \$62.78. Parish library, \$38.18. Clerical assistance, \$529.94. Christmas and Easter festivals, \$125. Total for objects within the parish, \$10,118.96.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$140. Convention Fund, \$60. Bible and prayer-book distribution, \$56.11. Home for Orphan Children, Worcester, \$68.64. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$21.68. Erection of churches and chapels, \$48.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$414.03.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$121.55. Domestic missions in general, \$118.10; Missions to colored people, \$28.13; Missions to Jews, \$30.17; Women's Missionary Society, \$60.61. Foreign missions in general, \$51.49. Total for missionary contributions, \$404.95.

Total of contributions, \$10,937.97.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. HENRY HAGUE, *Rector*.

H. L. PARKER and J. W. YOUNG, *Lay Readers*.

NEW J. WHITTALL and JAMES CUNNINGHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

ms: Infants, 19; adults, 2; total, 21. Communicants: Admitted, 10; 21; total added, 31; present number, 88. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 190. Church: 2,150; sittings, 250. Parish Building: Value, \$6,000. Total value of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

TS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$103.09. Rent expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, donations, \$442.28; total, \$602.51. Sunday school, \$95. Parish \$5. Increase and improvement of church property, \$3,501.58; fund organ, \$245.90. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,568.03.

NARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5. Miscellaneous, \$8.43. Total for missionary contributions, \$13.43. Total of contributions, \$4,566.46.

REMARKS.

Report is not complete, as the present Rector took charge in August.

TRINITY CHURCH, WRENTHAM.

The Rev. GEORGE W. PORTER, S.T.D., *Rector*.

MES E. POLLARD and EDMUND J. FELT, *Church-Wardens*.

ns: Infants, 2. Communicants: Removed, 7; present number, 80 and 40. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 2; scholars, 10. Church: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

TS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$28.37. All expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, pew rents, \$215.26; other sources, \$398.13; total, \$798.87. Sunday 5.50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$70. Other objects, \$35. Total for objects within the parish, \$887.74.

TS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$9. Society for Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the \$6. Total for objects without the parish, \$15.

NARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.59. Missions: For Jews, \$1. Total for missionary contributions,

Total of contributions, \$920.33.

REMARKS.

Parish has lost by removal valuable members and helpers. Its outlook for the future, in a material aspect, is not very promising.

II.

PERSONAL REPORTS.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

During the past Conventional year I have performed as heretofore my duties in the Episcopal Theological School, and have officiated on Sundays and other occasions as opportunities have presented.

ALEXANDER V. G. ALLEN.

CAMBRIDGE, April 25, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

: During the past year the state of my health has allowed me to assist frequently in administering the Holy Communion, and in other public services of the Church, occasionally to make addresses, or to preach, and to solemnize four funerals and one marriage.

WM. R. BABCOCK.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R.I., April 24, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

My increasing infirmities would have prevented my assistance in the services of the Church, even if an opportunity had offered. But these disadvantages have not hindered my attendance on morning and evening prayer every Sunday in the past year. I could hear nothing of what was said in church; yet my use of the Prayer Book and the Lessons for the day enabled me to follow, and, I trust, to profit by, the exercises in God's holy temple. It seemed to me to be my regular duty to follow the apostle's injunction, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is." During the last summer I was miles away from any historical church, but I assiduously attended the public ministrations of one of "our Christian brethren of other denominations."

Respectfully,

WM. S. BARTLET.

CHELSEA, April 25, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

I have continued work during the year as General Missionary of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

Full details have been given in my occasional reports to the Board, and in my second annual report, of even date with this. Reference is made to the latter, which will be found on p. 56 of this Journal.

The total number of families who may now be considered as under my pastoral care is 670; number of persons who were baptized in the Episcopal Church here or abroad, 1,470. There are 680 confirmed persons, of whom 475 can properly be counted as actual communicants.

Baptisms during the past year in the mission field: Infants, 109; adults, 2; total, 111. Two of the children were baptized by the Rev. Thomas G. Addison, D.D., of Washington, D.C.

I have held services as follows: Ashburnham, 1; Athol, 6; Chicopee, 1; Concord, 1; Cottage City, 1; East Brookfield, 1; Easthampton, 1; Enfield (Smith's Station), 1; Foxborough, 1; Gardner, 14; Georgetown, 2; Hinsdale, 1; Leominster, 2; Lexington, 1; Linden, 2; Marlborough, 3; Mattapan, 4; North Billerica, 2; Saugus, 1; Southbridge, 2; Spencer, 2; Stoughton, 1; Turner's Falls, 1; Van Deusenville, 2; Vineyard Haven, 2; Ware, 3; Wareham, 8; Northborough, 4; West Newbury, 1.

On some of these occasions, brother clergy have assisted me in the services or by preaching. Other services have been held by them by my arrangement or invitation.

I have celebrated the Holy Communion twenty-three times.

I have made ten addresses in behalf of the work of the Board, and have preached in mission stations which have their resident missionaries, besides assisting occasionally in parish churches near where I was working.

Faithfully yours,

JOHN S. BEERS.

NATICK, April 24, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

Since the last Annual Convention I have preached fifteen sermons, and made two addresses, baptized two adults and two infants, officiated at one burial, and taken part in or conducted twenty-seven services, besides attending to the duties connected with the office of General Secretary of the League in aid of the Mexican Branch of the Church, including public presentation of the subject.

Very respectfully,

ABBOTT BROWN.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

During the past year my official acts have been comparatively few, owing to impaired health and the increasing infirmities of age. I have baptized two children, officiated at three marriages, and attended one funeral.

Faithfully yours,

JOHN T. BURRILL.

CHELSEA, April 24, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

As I have been travelling in Europe since last Easter, I have merely to report occasional assisting or relieving at a few services, as desired, and in various places.

Respectfully,

F. G. BURGESS.

OXFORD, ENG., Feb. 20, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I would respectfully report, that, since the last Annual Meeting of the Convention, I have assisted on two Sundays in the services at Emmanuel Church,

Geneva, Switzerland. I have also preached twice, and read the whole or part of the service on five different occasions, in Christ Church, Homburg, Germany; and I have administered the Holy Communion to the sick.

HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.

LONDON, April 7, 1883.

Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

Dear Bishop, — My official acts during the last year were as follows: —

I have conducted the public services of our Church, and preached sixty-one times, — thirty-four times in Vermont, twenty-five times in the Diocese of Albany, and twice in the Diocese of Massachusetts. I have also officiated at nine funerals and two marriages, and baptized two children.

Truly yours,

E. H. CANFIELD.

ARLINGTON, April 9, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

I have held, regularly, services on Sunday during the year at home; also two services at Barnstable, and two at West Barnstable; baptized four children; five have been confirmed, and I have attended three funerals.

HIRAM CARLETON.

EAST SANDWICH, April 23, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

I beg leave to present the following report: During the past Conventional year I have been engaged in my usual educational work.

Have officiated in this Diocese as follows: Sunday, May 28, 1882, Brockton; June 4, Hingham; June 11, Lynn, preached at St. Stephen's; June 25, All Saints', Dorchester; July 2, St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls; July 23, St. James's, Keene, N.H.; July 30, Peabody and Danvers; Aug. 6, Grace Church, Medford; Aug. 13, Medford; Aug. 20, Medford; Aug. 27, Medford; Sept. 3, St. Stephen's, Lynn; Oct. 1, East Cambridge; Oct. 8, East Cambridge; Oct. 15, East Cambridge; Nov. 6, Newton Lower Falls; Nov. 30, St. Stephen's, Lynn; Dec. 24 and 25, Haverhill (Trinity); Dec. 31, Webster, "Reconciliation;" Jan. 14, 1883, Newton Lower Falls (St. Mary's); Feb. 4, Grace Church, Amherst; Feb. 11, Amherst; Feb. 18, Amherst; Feb. 25, Amherst; March 4, Amherst; March 11, Amherst; April 1, Grace Church, New Bedford; from April 8 to April 29, at the City Institutions at South Boston. Have assisted the Rector of St. Stephen's, Lynn, when not otherwise occupied on Sundays.

By request have baptized two infants, administered the Holy Communion to a dying person, and have attended seven funerals.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JONAS B. CLARKE.

To the Bishop of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — My duties as Chaplain to the City Institutions, South Boston, have been discharged, during the past year, with many interruptions from sickness and manifold infirmities.

During the Conventional year I have performed seven marriages, and assisted at one other, and have attended three funerals. These acts have been entered upon the records of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.

I am very sincerely yours,

JOS. H. CLINCH.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin Henry Paddock, D.D. :

My Dear Sir, — For the last twelve months ill health has prevented me from engaging in the active work of the ministry. I now reside at a distance of four miles from St. Paul's Church, Newburyport. With the consent of the Rector of St. Paul's, I hold the regular service at my house every Sunday morning. I have officiated at one funeral during the year.

Faithfully yours,

SAMUEL M. EMERY.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have the pleasure respectfully to report the following as my official acts during the past Conventional year: —

Celebrated the sacrament of the Holy Communion twice, and five times assisted in its administration.

Marriage, 1. Infant baptism, 1. Funerals, 2.

The above reported to the Rector of the Parish of St. James, Cambridge.

F. A. FOXCROFT.

CAMBRIDGE, April 24, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the last summer I was in England, and while there, by invitation of the incumbents, I preached on thirteen Sundays in various parish churches in different parts of the country. When returning in September from Liverpool by the way of Quebec, I conducted the Church-of-England service, and preached in the saloon of the steamship "Parisian;" a large number of the passengers, officers, and others being present. Spending Sunday in the city of Quebec, I preached in the Parish Church in East Quebec, and assisted in the celebration of the Holy Communion. Since my return, I have resided in Wood's Holl; and for the last four months I have taken the duty at the Church of the Messiah in that place, the Rector, the Rev. Mr. Nicholson, being ill. I have also officiated once in Middleborough, and spent one Sunday in Wareham, holding two services, and celebrating the Holy Communion.

BENJ. R. GIFFORD.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned respectfully begs leave to report that his health during the past year has been such as to allow him to officiate at various times in England, and during the winter to take the duties of Assistant Chaplain at Christ Church, Mentone, France. All his official acts have been duly recorded in the several parish registers.

EDWIN WALTER GOULD.

ROME, ITALY, April 14, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I would hereby make report of my work during the past Convention year, as required by canon.

I have continued to exercise my duties as Dean and Professor in the Episcopal Theological School.

There have been, during the academic year now approaching its close, twenty names on our list of students, including one resident graduate. Fifteen of them belong to your jurisdiction, and I am happy to report favorably regarding their character and proficiency. It is of interest to note, as

bearing upon the work of this institution which has enjoyed your kind oversight, that, as our recent catalogue shows, of its seventy-two alumni, all but four are occupying positions in the active ministry in twenty nine dioceses. Of those four, two are only unoccupied because of feeble health.

My duties as Dean include the care of St. John's Memorial Chapel, the statistics regarding which I enclose herewith. It will be seen that the number availing themselves of its services continues to increase, especially on the part of Harvard students, for whom the chapel was chiefly intended, after our own members. It is hoped that this feature of the usefulness of the chapel, and of the school, may continue to develop, so as to realize the desires of the honored donor of the edifice.

With many thanks for your kindnesses,

Yours faithfully and respectfully,

GEO. Z. GRAY.

CAMBRIDGE, April 25, 1883.

Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have the honor to report, that, since the date of my last report, I have continued to discharge my duties as chaplain at this post; that I have held one hundred and forty public services in Centurion Church (Post Chapel), have baptized two persons, have married two couples, have officiated at two funerals, and have presented one person for confirmation. During the last year we have purchased a fine new organ for the church, also handsome chandeliers, have made several improvements in the church-building, have contributed \$20 for missions, and have sent \$319.27 to the treasurer of General Clergy Relief Fund.

There has been no Episcopal visitation here: the one person confirmed was taken to St. John's Church, Hampton, Va., for that purpose.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

OSGOOD E. HERRICK,

Post Chaplain, U. S. Army.

FORTRESS MONROE, VA., April 23, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese:

Marriages, two; baptisms, four; burials, five.

In addition to the foregoing, a few celebrations of the Holy Eucharist, early in the year, at the Church of the Advent, Boston, and St. Peter's Church, Cambridge; an Easter celebration in the Chapel of the Sisters of St. Margaret, Boston; and a number on other occasions in private when confined at home, — are the only ministrations of note that I have performed. Though not present with the Convention to-day, I have, at an earlier communion at the Mission Church of St. John the Evangelist, earnestly commended its deliberations to the guidance and blessing of the Holy Spirit, the promised Comforter.

NICHOLAS HOPPIN.

CAMBRIDGE, April 25, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D.:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — I have to report that I have been unable to preach for the past year by reason of disability.

Faithfully yours,

JOSEPH JENKS.

MIDDLEBOROUGH, April 24, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — Since last February I have been at my home in Washington under the care of physicians. My recovery is not yet complete, but I hope very soon to return to active duties. I have been unable to do any clerical work.

Yours respectfully,

ROBERT ELLIS JONES.

APRIL 23, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese:

My residence during the Conventional year has been as usual at Worcester. I have officiated in various dioceses of New England from time to time, and have preached once before the Central Convocation.

GEORGE S. PAINE.

WORCESTER, April 25, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have, during the past canonical year, celebrated the Holy Eucharist on eleven memorable occasions, preached twenty-one sermons, read the Morning or Evening Prayer twenty times, officiated at one funeral, solemnized one marriage.

E. B. PALMER.

BOSTON: 5 ALPINE STREET,
April 25, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.:

I beg leave to report, that during the past Conventional year, so far as my health would allow, I have officiated, when called upon, in this Diocese and in the Dioceses of New Hampshire and Maryland.

Yours very respectfully,

J. A. SANDERSON.

PLYMOUTH, April 24, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.:

During the past year I have been constantly engaged in teaching. I have performed no clerical duties worthy of mention.

CARLOS SLAFTER.

DEDHAM, April 24, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.:

I have assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion at Trinity in this city during the past, as in former years.

EDMUND F. SLAFTER.

BOSTON, April 25, 1883.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.:

During the past Conventional year I have been engaged in regular work at St. Paul's Chapel, College Point, in this parish, and in my educational duties at the New York Latin School.

EDWARD H. TRUE.

FLUSHING, L.I., April 24, 1883.



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burne Falls	Emma
nerville	Emma
thborough	St. Tho
th Groveland	St. Mar
th Lincoln	St. Jam
ingfield	St. Ann
ekbridge	Christ
ansea	St. Paul
anton	Christ
	St. Joh
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kefield	Trinity
...	Emma
...	Christ



APPENDIX B.

CR. THE DIOCESE OF MASS. *in account with* CHARLES H. LEABOYD, *Treas.*

By Balance from last year.....	\$157 02
By Assessment of Christ Church, Andover	18 00
" Church of the Messiah, Auburndale	5 00
" St. Peter's Church, Beverly.....	10 00
" Church of the Advent, Boston	30 00
" Emmanuel Church, Boston	97 50
" Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston.....	27 00
" Church of the Messiah, Boston.....	30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Boston.....	120 00
" Trinity Church, Boston.....	120 00
" St. Margaret's Church, Brighton.....	12 00
" St. John's Church, Charlestown.....	15 00
" All Saints' Church, Dorchester	18 00
" St. Mary's Church, Dorchester.....	15 00
" St. John's Church, East Boston.....	10 00
" St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain.....	37 50
" St. James's Church, Roxbury.....	45 00
" St. John's Church, Roxbury	22 50
" St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.....	30 00
" Trinity Church, Bridgewater	5 00
" St. Paul's Church, Brookline.....	37 50
" Christ Church, Cambridge.....	37 50
" St. Peter's Church, Cambridge.....	24 00
" Calvary Church, Danvers.....	6 00
" St. Paul's Church, Dedham.....	30 00
" Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.....	15 00
" Christ Church, Fitchburg.....	27 00
" St. John's Church, Framingham.....	6 00
" St. John's Church, Gloucester	4 50
" St. James's Church, Great Barrington	22 50
" St. James's Church, Greenfield	18 00
" St. Andrew's Church, Hanover	15 00
" Trinity Church, Haverhill.....	22 50
" St. Paul's Church, Holyoke.....	18 00
" Christ Church, Hyde Park.....	18 00
" Church of the Ascension, Ipswich	15 00
" St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough.....	14 00
" Grace Church, Lawrence.....	36 00
" Church of Our Saviour, Longwood.....	30 00
" St. Anne's Church, Lowell.....	30 00
" St. John's Church, Lowell.....	21 00
" St. Stephen's Church, Lynn.....	30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Malden	18 00
<i>Amount carried forward</i>	<i>\$1,119 02</i>

Ca.

THE DIOCESE OF MASS. IN 1882

	<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$1,119 02
By Assessment of	Grace Church, Medford.....	21 00
"	Trinity Church, Milford	5 00
"	St. John's Church, Millville.....	5 00
"	St. Paul's Church, Natick.....	4 50
"	Grace Church, New Bedford.....	30 00
"	Grace Church, Newton.....	57 50
"	St. Mary's Church, Newton (2 years).....	45 00
"	Grace Church, North Attleborough.....	10 50
"	St. John's Church, North Adams	18 00
"	St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield.....	20 00
"	Christ Church, Rochdale.....	7 00
"	St. Peter's Church, Salem.....	30 00
"	Emmanuel Church, Somerville.....	15 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Southborough.....	12 00
"	St. James's Church, South Groveland (2 years)	24 00
"	Christ Church, Springfield.....	30 00
"	St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....	22 00
"	St. John's Church, Taunton.....	15 00
"	St. Thomas's Church, Taunton	45 00
"	Christ Church, Waltham.....	19 50
"	Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.....	22 50
"	Church of the Messiah, Wood's Hole	15 00
"	All Saints' Church, Worcester.....	80 00
"	Trinity Church, Wrentham.....	9 00
"	Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton.....	12 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Boston.....	30 00
"	St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.....	15 00
"	St. James's Church, Cambridge.....	15 00
"	St. John's Church, Wilkinstonville.....	6 00
"	Grace Church, Salem.....	27 00
"	Trinity Church, Melrose.....	13 50
"	St. John's Church, Lawrence .. .	22 50
"	Trinity Church, Milford	4 77
"	Christ Church, Medway	3 75
"	Christ Church, Quincy .. .	19 50
"	St. George's Church, Lee	1 00
"	St. Thomas's Church, Somerville	9 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Adams.....	15 00
By Cash from Dr. Hollingsworth.....		3 00
		<u>\$2,051</u>

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By Balance from last year.....	\$157 02
By Assessment of Christ Church, Andover	18 00
" Church of the Messiah, Auburndale	5 00
" St. Peter's Church, Beverly	10 00
" Church of the Advent, Boston	30 00
" Emmanuel Church, Boston	97 50
" Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston.....	27 00
" Church of the Messiah, Boston.....	30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Boston.....	120 00
" Trinity Church, Boston.....	120 00
" St. Margaret's Church, Brighton.....	12 00
" St. John's Church, Charlestown.....	15 00
" All Saints' Church, Dorchester	18 00
" St. Mary's Church, Dorchester.....	15 00
" St. John's Church, East Boston.....	10 00
" St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain.....	37 50
" St. James's Church, Roxbury.....	45 00
" St. John's Church, Roxbury	22 50
" St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.....	30 00
" Trinity Church, Bridgewater	5 00
" St. Paul's Church, Brookline.....	37 50
" Christ Church, Cambridge.....	37 50
" St. Peter's Church, Cambridge.....	24 00
" Calvary Church, Danvers.....	6 00
" St. Paul's Church, Dedham	30 00
" Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.....	15 00
" Christ Church, Fitchburg.....	27 00
" St. John's Church, Framlingham.....	6 00
" St. John's Church, Gloucester	4 50
" St. James's Church, Great Barrington	22 50
" St. James's Church, Greenfield	18 00
" St. Andrew's Church, Hanover	15 00
" Trinity Church, Haverhill	22 50
" St. Paul's Church, Holyoke.....	18 00
" Christ Church, Hyde Park.....	19 00
" Church of the Ascension, Ipswich	15 00
" St. Luke's Church, Lancaster.....	14 00
" Grace Church, Lawrence.....	38 00
" Church of Our Saviour, Longwood.....	30 00
" St. Anne's Church, Lowell.....	30 00
" St. John's Church, Lowell	21 00
" St. Stephen's Church, Lynn.....	30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Malden	19 00
Amount carried forward	\$1,119 02

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THE DIOCESE OF MASS. in acc

	<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$1,119 02
By Assessment of	Grace Church, Medford.....	21 00
"	Trinity Church, Milford.....	5 00
"	St. John's Church, Millyville.....	5 00
"	St. Paul's Church, Natick.....	4 50
"	Grace Church, New Bedford.....	30 00
"	Grace Church, Newton.....	27 50
"	St. Mary's Church, Newton (2 years).....	45 00
"	Grace Church, North Attleborough.....	10 50
"	St. John's Church, North Adams.....	18 00
"	St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield.....	30 00
"	Christ Church, Rochdale.....	7 50
"	St. Peter's Church, Salem.....	30 00
"	Emmanuel Church, Somerville.....	15 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Southborough.....	12 00
"	St. James's Church, South Groveland (2 years).....	24 00
"	Christ Church, Springfield.....	30 00
"	St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....	22 50
"	St. John's Church, Taunton.....	15 00
"	St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....	44 00
"	Christ Church, Waltham.....	19 50
"	Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.....	22 50
"	Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.....	15 00
"	All Saints' Church, Worcester.....	50 00
"	Trinity Church, Wrentham.....	9 00
"	Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton.....	12 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Boston.....	30 00
"	St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.....	15 00
"	St. James's Church, Cambridge.....	18 00
"	St. John's Church, Wilkinsonville.....	6 00
"	Grace Church, Salem.....	27 00
"	Trinity Church, Melrose.....	13 50
"	St. John's Church, Lawrence ..	22 50
"	Trinity Church, Milford ..	4 77
"	Christ Church, Medway ..	3 75
"	Christ Church, Quincy.....	19 50
"	St. George's Church, Lee ..	1 00
"	St. Thomas's Church, Romerville.....	9 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Adams.....	15 00
By Cash from Dr. Hollingworth ..		3 00
		\$2.05

APPENDIX B.

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CHARLES H. LEAROYD, *Treas.*

Dr.

11,	Paid bill of Rev. W. H. Brooks, D.D.....	\$7 00	
17,	" " Sexton of Trinity Church.....	27 50	
25,	" " Secretary.....	314 50	
26,	" " Committee on Tenure of Church Property.....	3 75	
12,	" " A. Williams & Co.	40 00	
24,	" " Rand, Avery, & Co.....	601 80	
5,	" " Rev. Joseph Jenks	26 42	
6,	" " Rev. A. E. Johnson	5 58	
22,	" " Bishop Paddock	44 92	
3,	" " Rand, Avery, & Co.....	42 50	
3,	" " Treasurer	100 00	
23,	To cash paid for stationery and postage.....	10 40	
23,	Paid appropriation to Episcopal Church Association.....	400 00	
			\$1,624 37
	Balance in treasury		429 17
			\$2,053 54

ANNUAL ACCOUNT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCE
BOARD OF MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS.

From Adams, St. Mark's.....	\$10 00
Amesbury, St. James's.....	25 00
Amherst, Grace.....	8 00
Andover, Christ.....	30 00
Christ Sunday school.....	6 00
Arlington, St. John's.....	7 55
Ashfield, St. John's.....	14 00
Beverly, St. Peter's.....	
Boston, Advent.....	100 00
All Saints'.....	18 00
Christ.....	5 00
Emmanuel.....	748 75
Evangelists.....	6 00
Good Shepherd.....	90 00
Good Shepherd. Special for Hingham.....	10 00
Grace (S. B.).....	31 55
Messiah.....	104 00
St. Anne's, Dorchester.....	17 40
St. James's.....	54 61
St. John's, Charlestown.....	54 45
St. John's, East Boston.....	10 00
St. John's, Highlands.....	52 34
St. John's, Jamaica Plain.....	93 04
Mission of St. John the Evangelist.....	50 00
St. Margaret's.....	20 00
St. Mark's.....	51 00
St. Mary's, Dorchester.....	42 53
St. Mary's for Sailors.....	2 87
St. Matthew's.....	22 25
St. Paul's.....	1,271 41
Trinity.....	1,477 00
Bridgewater, Trinity.....	32 76
Brockton, St. Paul's.....	12 40
Brookline, St. Paul's.....	462 72
Cambridge, Ascension.....	12 00
Christ.....	100 00
St. James's.....	30 75
St. John's Memorial.....	67 20
St. Peter's.....	66 38
Chelmsford, St. Anne's.....	10 00
Chelsea, St. Luke's.....	8 15
Cherry Valley, Mission.....	7 05
Clinton, Good Shepherd.....	40 41
Concord, Mission.....	6 00
Danvers, Calvary.....	16 00
Dedham, Good Shepherd.....	7 31
St. Paul's.....	100 50
Fall River, Ascension.....	40 00
St. John's.....	25 00
St. Mark's Mission.....	3 50
Fiskdale, Grace.....	4 03
Fitchburg, Christ.....	189 00
Frammingham, St. John's.....	30 00
Gloucester, St. John's.....	15 00
Great Barrington, St. James's.....	43 50
Greenfield, St. James's.....	30 00
Hanover, St. Andrew's.....	26 18
Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist.....	2 00
Trinity.....	55 45
Hingham, Mission of St. John the Evangelist.....	11 00
Holyoke, St. Paul's.....	58 67
Hyde Park, Christ.....	5 40
Ipswich, Ascension.....	4 00
Lancaster, St. Luke's.....	3 00
Lawrence, Grace.....	100 00
St. John's.....	35 00
Lee, St. George's.....	14 95

Lenox, Trinity.....	\$70 00	
Linden, St. Luke's	8 20	
Longwood, Our Saviour.....	211 99	
Lowell, St. Anne's	122 68	
" St. Anne's. Special for Medway.....	20 67	
" St. John's	20 00	
" House of Prayer		
Lynn, St. Stephen's	121 11	
Malden, St. Paul's.....	50 00	
Marblehead, St. Michael's	34 40	
Medford, Grace	50 00	
Medway, Christ.....	11 65	
Melrose, Trinity	23 00	
Methuen, St. Thomas's.....		
Millford, Trinity.....	9 00	
Millbury, Mission	5 25	
Millville, St. John's	15 00	
Nantucket, St. Paul's.....	30 00	
Natick, St. Paul's	10 90	
New Bedford, Grace	172 60	
" St. James's.....		
Newburyport, St. Paul's	50 00	
Newton, Grace.....	77 91	
" Grace Sunday school.....	1 68	
" Messiah.....	21 20	
" Messiah Sunday school.....	12 74	
" St. Mary's.....	7 00	
North Adams, St. John's	25 00	
Northampton, St. John's		
North Attleborough, Grace.....	11 60	
Oxford, Grace.....	6 60	
Peabody, St. Paul's	10 09	
Pittsfield, St. Stephen's	11 78	
Plymouth, Christ	4 00	
Quincy, Christ	24 30	
Rochdale, Christ	15 62	
Salem, Grace	80 13	
" St. Peter's.....	100 15	
Sheffield, Christ.....	20 61	
Shelburne Falls, Mission	16 58	
Somerville, Emmanuel	20 00	
" St. Thomas's	20 00	
Southborough, St. Mark's	28 33	
South Groveland, St. James's.....	8 00	
South Lincoln, St. Anne's.....		
Springfield, Christ	60 00	
Stockbridge, St. Paul's	89 06	
Swansea, Christ.....	20 00	
Taunton, St. John's	9 75	
" St. Thomas's	208 50	
Van Deusenville, Trinity	3 52	
Wakefield, Emmanuel.....	10 00	
Waltham, Christ	50 00	
Webster, Reconciliation.....	163 56	
Westfield, Atonement	9 43	
Weymouth, Trinity	18 50	
Wilkinsonville, St. John's.....	29 51	
Williamstown, St. John's		
Winchester, Mission	5 64	
Woburn, Trinity.....		
Wood's Holl, Messiah.....	101 22	
Worcester, All Saints'	121 55	
" St. Matthew's	5 00	
Wrentham, Trinity	16 59	
Individual and Special Gifts		\$8,604 53
Special Gifts towards support of General Missionary		2,647 79
Income from Eastburn-Morgan Fund		1,250 00
Income from Eastburn-Morgan Fund		314 39
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society		35 30
Eastern Convocation		33 26
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		\$12,885 27

PAYMENTS.

To Amesbury, St. James's	\$300 00	
Arlington, St. John's	168 33	
Ashfield, St. John's, 8½ months	215 40	
Bridge water, Trinity	212 46	
Brighton, St. Margaret's	200 00	
Brockton, St. Paul's Mission	561 31	
Cambridge, Ascension Mission	300 00	
Chelmsford, St. Anne's	200 00	
Cherry Valley, Mission, 9 months	187 50	
Canton, Good Shepherd	308 32	
Concord, Mission, 8 months	200 00	
Danvers, Calvary	200 00	
Fal. River, St. John's	216 66	
Franklinham, St. John's	104 00	
Gloucester, St. John's, 6½ months	118 66	
Hingham, Mission of St. John Evangelist	150 00	
Ipswich, Ascension, 14 months	233 30	
Lex., St. George's	350 00	
" St. George's, special appropriation	50 00	
Medway, Christ	200 00	
Milford, Trinity	200 00	
Milbury, Mission, 11 months	183 33	
Milville, St. John's	000 00	
Nantucket, St. Paul's	318 66	
Natick, St. Paul's	400 00	
Newton, Messiah	300 00	
North Attleborough, Grace	200 00	
Otha, St. Paul's	50 00	
Oxford, Grace	150 00	
Pembody, St. Paul's Mission	250 00	
Plymouth, Christ	300 00	
Rochdale, Christ	300 00	
Sheddell, Christ	200 00	
Shelburne Falls, 13½ months	454 88	
Swansea, Christ	200 00	
Wakefield, Emmanuel Mission, 3 months	63 33	
Waltham, Ascension, 1 month	16 66	
Westfield, Atonement	400 00	
Weymouth, Trinity	200 00	
Wilkinsonville, St. John's, 11 months	183 33	
Williamstown, St. John's Mission, 9½ months	311 10	
Winchester, Mission, 7 months	87 50	
Wrentham, Trinity	900 00	
		\$2,721
Stipend of General Missionary, 1 year, March 1, 1882, to March 1, 1883,	\$1,500 00	
Expense Account of General Missionary	454 15	
Publication and Distribution of "The Diocese"	328 90	
Expense of semi-annual Missionary Meetings	18 50	
Printing	53 80	
Stationery	3 60	
Special to Brockton for extinguishment of debt	40 00	
Special to Medway for extinguishment of debt	20 67	
Treasurer's Expense Account	50 00	
Secretary's Expense Account	3 75	
Retirement of debt for the year, 1881-82	621 43	
Balance to account of 1883-84	85 74	
		\$12,986

Boston, May 8, 1883.

J. S. BLATCHFORD, Treasurer

**SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF
DECEASED CLERGYMEN OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL
CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.**

INVENTORY OF THE ANNUITY FUND, APRIL 16, 1883.

	<i>Investment.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Policy	No. 4,245, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Co.....	\$9,511 50	\$9,511 50
"	No. 3,848, " " " " " "	16,464 92	16,464 92
\$3,000	Chicago 7 per cent bonds (water)	3,000 00	3,600 00
3,000	" " " (sewer).....	3,000 00	3,600 00
5,000	Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis R.R. 7 per cent bonds	5,000 00	6,000 00
2,000	Newport, Ky., 7 3-10 per cent bonds (water).....	2,000 00	2,280 00
2,000	Boston 5 per cent bonds (registered and coupon).....	2,000 00	2,380 00
4,000	Massachusetts 5 per cent bonds (registered).....	4,000 00	4,520 00
1,000	Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago R.R. Co. 6 per cent bonds	1,000 00	1,020 00
5 shares	Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago R.R. Company.....	500 00	500 00
5 shares	Great Falls Manufacturing Company.....	500 00	425 00
26	" Atlantic Cotton Mills	2,600 00	3,900 00
15	" Lyman Mills.....	1,500 00	1,650 00
21	" State National Bank.....	2,200 00	2,750 00
\$5,000	Burlington and Missouri River (in Nebraska) R.R. Co. 6 per cent bonds (exempt).....	5,000 00	5,625 00
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		\$58,276 42	\$64,226 42

INVENTORY OF THE CHARITY FUND, APRIL 16, 1883.

	<i>Investment.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Policy	No. 3,854, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Co.....	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00
\$7,000	Eastern R.R. Company 6 per cent (gold) bonds.....	7,000 00	7,875 00
4,000	New Bedford R.R. 7 per cent bonds.....	4,000 00	4,400 00
5,000	Burlington and Missouri River (in Nebraska) R.R. Co. 6 per cent bonds (non exempt).....	5,000 00	5,150 00
30 shares	Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago R.R. Company.....	3,000 00	3,000 00
4 shares	Massachusetts National Bank	1,000 00	1,120 00
7	" Washington National Bank	700 00	880 00
14	" Boston National Bank.....	1,400 00	1,680 00
20	" Traders' National Bank.....	2,000 00	1,700 00
20	" Webster National Bank.....	2,000 00	2,160 00
18	" Second National Bank	1,800 00	2,750 00
20	" National Bank of North America	2,000 00	2,180 00
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		\$34,900 00	\$37,904 00

Dr. **HARCOURT AMORY, Treasurer, in account with the SOCIETY FOR**

1882.		Charity	Annuity.
May 1,	To cash on hand.....	\$473 22	\$118 29
" 1,	To amount contribution from Church of Our Saviour, Longwood	7 00	
" 8,	To amount contribution from St. James's Church, Great Barrington.....	14 71	
" 9,	To amount contribution from Christ Church, Waltham	13 00	
" 16,	To amount contribution from St. John's Church, Wilkesonville	1 00	
" 24,	To amount contribution from St. Mary's Church, Dorchester,	20 00	
" 31,	To amount contribution from Grace Church, Salem	3 00	
June 3,	To amount contribution from St. Paul's Mission, North Andover.....	43 72	
" 8,	To amount contribution from Church of the Ascension, Fall River	8 00	
" 27,	To amount received for \$4,000 U. S. 3½ (extended) bonds, called		4,000 00
July 8,	To amount of F. H. Stimpson's note, paid.....		750 00
Oct. 26,	To amount contribution from Mrs. W. H. Milton.....	25 00	
Nov. 6,	To amount contribution from St. Thomas's Church, Taunton,	26 25	
" 24,	To amount contribution from Grace Church, Lawrence	99 31	
Dec. 2,	To amount contribution from St. James's Church, Great Harrington.....	10 57	
" 5,	To amount contribution from Christ Church, Quincy.....	12 00	
" 20,	To amount contribution from St. Paul's Church, Dedham	5 50	
" 27,	To amount received from Grace Church, Newton, annuity for Rev. G. W. Shinn		10 00
" 27,	To amount received from Grace Church, Newton, annuity for Rev. G. Walker		5 00
" 27,	To amount received from Grace Church, Newton, annuity for Rev. Aug. Prime		5 00
" 27,	To amount contribution from Trinity Church, Wrentham	6 00	
1883,			
Jan. 1,	To amount contribution from St. Mark's, Southborough	4 00	
" 24,	To amount contribution from Trinity Church, Weymouth	2 50	
Feb. 1,	To amount contribution from St. George's Church, Lee	5 00	
March 23,	To amount contribution from St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.....	22 37	
" 27,	To amount contribution from Church of Our Saviour, Longwood	51 95	
April 9,	To amount contribution from Christ Church, Waltham	12 00	
" 16,	To amount received Dec. 20, 1882, return tax on bank shares,	189 92	
" 16,	To amount received in dividends and interest	1,891 50	2,019 52
" 16,	To amount received from payments of annuitants		355 00
" 16,	To amount received from dues of members.....	25 00	
		\$2,965 61	\$5,167 81

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EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND in account

1882.			
May 2.	Balance from last year		\$222 28
	<i>From Churches.</i>		
" 10.	St. John's, Millville	\$5 00	
" 24.	Annual Convention	40 12	
June 19.	St. Mary's, Dorchester	2 25	
" 26.	Christ, Hyde Park	5 00	
Oct. 4.	St. Thomas's, Taunton	24 00	
" 17.	Christ, Cambridge	10 00	
Nov. 10.	Trinity, Haverhill	5 00	
Dec. 7.	Emmanuel, Boston	182 51	
" 26.	Christ, Quincy	14 00	
" 27.	Christ, Medway	7 50	
" 27.	Grace, Newton	5 00	
" 28.	Grace, Amherst	5 00	
" 29.	St. Paul's, Stockbridge	53 41	
1883.			
Jan. 1.	St. Michael's, Marblehead	4 61	
" 3.	Church of Our Saviour, Longwood	68 78	
" 4.	St. Andrew's, Hanover	33 93	
" 15.	St. Paul's, Boston	145 70	
" 16.	Christ, Andover	5 51	
Mar. 27.	St. Paul's Mission, Pembury	1 76	
Apr. 7.	Trinity, Boston	10 00	
			646 61
1882.	<i>From Donations.</i>		
May 12.	R. T. Paine, jun.	\$50 00	
Apr. 7.	Stephen G. Deblols	5 00	
			55 00
	<i>From Investments.</i>		
	U. S. 3½ per cent bond (\$500)	\$6 80	
	Northern Pacific Railroad coupons	360 00	
	U. S. 4 per cent bonds (\$900)	36 00	
	Burlington and Missouri (in Nebraska) 6 per cent bonds ...	108 00	
	" " " 7 per cent bonds ...	140 00	
	N. E. Trust Company, interest	22 55	
			673 35
	From Randolph M. Clark Memorial Fund		480 00
	U. S. 3½ per cent bond called in		500 00
			\$2,177 34
1883.			
Apr. 24.	Balance to new account		\$564 51

with J. W. CLARK, Treasurer.

Dr.

Payments to Beneficiaries.

1882.			
May 10.	Beneficiary	No. 1.....	\$100 00
" 10.	"	No. 2.....	200 00
" 10.	"	No. 3.....	200 00
" 10.	"	No. 5.....	200 00
June 19.	"	No. 4.....	200 00
Nov. 24.	"	No. 5.....	200 00
" 25.	"	No. 3.....	200 00
" 25.	"	No. 2.....	200 00
" 25.	"	No. 1.....	100 00
1883.			
Jan. 12.	"	No. 6.....	300 00
" 12.	"	No. 4.....	200 00
			<hr/> \$2,100 00

Purchased for Investment.

1882.			
Dec. 5.	\$500 Northern Pacific 6 per cent bond.....		512 83
	Carried to new account		564 51
			<hr/> \$3,177 34

INVESTMENTS.

Burlington and Missouri (in Nebraska) 6 per cent bonds.....	\$1,800 00
“ “ “ 7 per cent land grant bonds.....	2,000 00
U. S. registered 4 per cent bonds	900 00
Northern Pacific Railroad 6 per cent bonds.....	6,500 00
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	\$11,200 00
Burlington and Missouri 4 per cent bond (Randolph M. Clark Memorial Fund, D. R. Whitney trustee)	12,000 00
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	\$23,200 00

APPENDIX C.

A Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A.M.

At the hour appointed for the opening of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows:—

I. 1. The Lord's Prayer, and the "Prayer to be used at the Meetings of Conventions."

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats in the Convention. He shall then call the names of Parishes, and receive certificates, as by Sect. 4, Canon 2, Title 1.

3. The President shall appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to whom the list of the Clergy and the Credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred.

II. Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

III. 1. Immediately after Divine Service, the Committee on Qualifications shall report. The Convention shall act at once and without debate, upon all undisputed names and credentials. All questions of membership raised by the Committee or by the Convention shall be laid aside temporarily.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees: viz., a Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, to consist of three Clergymen and three Laymen; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to consist of five members, three Clergymen and two Laymen; an Executive Committee, — for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this Body, and for recommending the time and place for holding the next Convention, — to consist of three members, two Clergymen and one Layman; a Committee on Unfinished Business, and a Committee on Finance, to consist each of three members, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

8. A recess shall be ordered.

P.M.

IV. Report of the Committee on Qualifications, on Certificates and Documents, laid aside. The Convention shall take immediate action. Subsequent Reports of the Committee on Qualifications shall be in order at any time.

V. 1. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he shall prefer another time for its delivery.

2. Reference of matters therein contained, if so ordered, to Committees.

3. Presentation of subjects by resolutions, to be referred without debate to Standing or Special Committees.

VI. Reports and actions upon them, in the following order: —

1. Parochial Reports to be received by the Bishop.

2. Report from the Committee on New Parishes, the Admission of the Parishes, and the Reception of their Lay Delegates.

3. Report from the Standing Committee.

4. Report from the Diocesan Board of Missions.

5. Reports from the Convocations.

6. Reports from Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

7. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.

8. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

9. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

10. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.

11. Report from Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches, etc.

12. Report from the Trustees of Donations.

13. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.

14. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

15. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

16. Reports from any other Church or Charitable Societies recognized by the Convention.

17. Reports from any of the Standing Committees of the Convention, in their order, as in III., 6. If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed; and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.

VII. Miscellaneous business.

VIII. Adjournment to the second day.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

IX. 1. Morning Prayer at 9 A.M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the first day, and action upon them.

3. The calling of the roll.

X. 1. The finishing of the business which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

2. The disposal of unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

XI. 1. The Standing Committees shall be called in their order; reports may be received from any of them, and action may be taken thereon.

2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the session, and action thereon.

XII. Miscellaneous business.

XIII. Elections, to be proceeded with at 11 o'clock A.M., in the following order: —

1. Of Treasurer of the Convention.

2. Of Registrar.

3. Of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

4. Of Deputies to the General Convention.

5. Selection of persons to be nominated to the General Convention, or to the Board of Trustees, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

6. Election of Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

7. Election of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

8. Election of Committee on entertaining the Clerical Members of the Convention.

XIV. Miscellaneous business.

XV. Adjournment to the third day, if the Convention be prolonged.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

XVI. 1. Morning Prayer, reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.

2. The disposal of the unfinished business of the Convention, in the order above prescribed.

XVII. When the Convention shall be prepared to adjourn without day, there shall be reading of the Minutes not already approved, and action thereon, then, after Prayers and Benediction by the President, the Convention shall stand so adjourned, without day.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention; nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion, shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Convention; and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention it shall be in order—1, To lay on the table, 2, To postpone to a day certain, 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the Minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action allowed by Rule V. shall have been taken; but, with the consent of the Convention,

the mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken, or it has been put upon its passage, in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the Tellers or Committee appointed to count the ballots withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention, on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained. The Secretary of the Convention shall cause to be printed and distributed among the members of the session two (2) printed ballots as follows: The first shall be headed, "Standing Committee elected by the preceding Convention;" then shall follow the names of the members of said Standing Committee. The second shall be headed, "Deputies to the General Convention elected by the preceding Convention." Then shall follow the names of such Deputies and Substitutes; and this second ticket shall be presented to that Convention only when such election would be in order. And in each ballot there shall be, after the printed names, a blank space not less than the amount of space occupied by the printed matter in each ticket.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of Business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

GUIDE IN ORGANIZING NEW PARISHES.

A resolution of Convention (Journal of 1871, pp. 45, 46, and 196) recommends, as a guide to new Parishes in organizing, the form of Constitution and By-Laws hereto appended. An important requirement of the Constitution of the Diocese is, however, first to be noted; viz., —

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Articles of Association, or other satisfactory evidence of its organization (or, if specially incorporated, of its Charter), and of its Constitution and By-Laws: in which it must be declared that such Parish accedes to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship, the Constitution and Canons, of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and such Parish shall lay before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens and Vestry, that it has been duly organized as such for the space of one year, and during that time has held regular public services.

SECT. 2. Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter, and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Stand-

ing Committee of the Diocese, at least one month before the Annual Session of the Convention, and be approved by them respectively; or, if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention the reasons in writing of such disapproval. The whole subject, with all the documents, shall be referred to a special committee of three Clerical and three Lay Members of the Convention, to report thereon.

The Resolution, and the Recommended Form of Constitution and By-Laws, here follow : —

Resolved, That, in order to secure as much uniformity as local circumstances will permit, and also to place the management of Parish affairs on a wise and just basis, the following Form of Constitution and By-Laws is recommended: —

CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, The undersigned have associated themselves together for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God, according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and have for that purpose formed a Parish at they therefore declare the following to be the objects, conditions, and articles of their said association, viz : —

First, The name of this Parish shall be "The Rector, Church-Wardens and Vestrymen of;" or, "The Parish of"

Second, This Parish acknowledges itself to be a member of and to belong to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in the Diocese of Massachusetts. As such, it accedes to, recognizes, and adopts the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of said Church, and acknowledges the authority of the same accordingly.

Third, Any male person of the age of twenty-one years, who has subscribed to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish, and who has aided in maintaining public worship therein for a period of twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, either by regular attendance thereon, or by pecuniary aid in hiring a sitting, or otherwise, shall be considered a member of the Parish, and entitled to vote in all its affairs while he continues such member but no member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid shall be eligible to any office or function in this Parish, or be entitled to vote in its affairs.

Fourth, The Rector of this Parish shall be elected by the members thereof unless the By-Laws otherwise provide; but no person shall be eligible to that office unless he shall have had Episcopal ordination, and unless he be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, and recognized as such by the Bishop of this Diocese, or, in case of a vacancy, by the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Fifth, All the property of this Parish shall be taken and held subject to the control and disposition of the Vestry of the same, but shall not be sold or conveyed without the vote of the Parish; but the rents, revenues, and incomes of the same shall be applied from time to time to the support of the Rector or Minister thereof, and for the erection and repairs of the church, churchyard, parsonage, and other buildings belonging to the same, and other necessary Parish charges, and to no other use or purpose whatever.

Sixth, This Constitution may be amended as follows: Any proposed amendment shall be submitted to a meeting of the Vestry, and upon its recommendation shall be submitted to a meeting of the Parish, and, if approved by the same, shall be submitted to the next Diocesan Convention, and upon its approval shall be deemed and taken to be a part of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter Week in the church, chapel, place of worship, or such place as the Wardens may

appoint. Notice of this meeting shall be posted seven days prior thereto on the church door, and given from the Chancel on the Sunday previous, by the clergyman officiating. All meetings shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 2. Special meetings shall be called by the Wardens, or, in case of vacancy, by three members of the Vestry, whenever they deem it advisable, or whenever so requested in writing, either by the Rector or any five members of the Parish.

SECT. 3. Nothing acted upon at a meeting shall have any legal operation, unless the subject-matter thereof was inserted in the warrant for such meeting.

SECT. 4. At all meetings of the Parish, the Rector, if present, or in his absence one of the Wardens, shall preside; in their absence a temporary presiding officer shall be chosen by the members present by ballot.

SECT. 5. At a meeting of the Parish, five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but any less number may adjourn such meeting.

SECT. 6. At the annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, there shall be chosen two Wardens (who shall also act as Assessors), a Treasurer and Collector, a Clerk, and such number of Vestrymen not exceeding..... as may be determined by the members present; all of whom shall constitute the Vestry, such election to be in all cases by ballot; and the person having the highest number of ballots shall be elected, the officers so elected to serve until the next annual meeting, and until others are elected *and qualified* in their stead. All such officers, except the Vestry, shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties; the fact of taking the oath being recorded by the Clerk. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall be chosen at the annual meeting by ballot, or as the members present may determine.

SECT. 7. The Wardens and Vestrymen shall have the management and oversight of all the temporal affairs of the Parish, and shall, in connection with the Rector, make necessary preparations for public worship and for the music at the same. They shall meet as often as once in every three months, and whenever requested by the Rector or either Warden. At each meeting the record of the previous meeting shall be read and approved, or amended. The Rector shall be notified of the meetings of the Vestry, and, if present, shall preside, and be entitled, in common with each member of the Vestry, to one vote.

SECT. 8. The Clerk shall keep a true record of all the proceedings of the Parish, and also of the doings of the Wardens and Vestry, in suitable books for that purpose; and shall also record all deeds or transfers of pews, for which latter duty he shall be entitled to the sum of fifty cents for each deed. At any Parish meeting any member may call for the reading of the records of the Vestry meeting for the preceding year.

SECT. 9. The Treasurer shall keep a true account of all moneys received and paid out by him, and present a full account thereof and of the financial condition of the Parish at each annual meeting; and such account shall be audited and approved by the Wardens and Vestrymen, or a committee thereof. He shall pay no sum exceeding ten dollars, except for regular fixed salaries, without the approval of at least one Warden or two Vestrymen, or the previous direction of the Parish or Vestry. He shall give bonds, whenever required by the Wardens or Vestry, for the faithful performance of his duties.

SECT. 10. All pews shall be liable to assessment for the support of the Rector and the maintenance of public worship, the repairs of the church, and all other necessary Parish charges, as the Parish may determine, according to the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth.

SECT. 11. These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed, at any regular meeting of the Parish, by a majority of the legal members present; provided notice thereof is set forth in the notice calling the meeting.

FORMS OF APPLICATIONS TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS SEEKING THE SACRED MINISTRY.

I. — CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

The Postulant for admission to Candidature may at any time, after application to the Bishop duly made, apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a candidate. He should present an application in the following form: —

(1) The undersigned respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a Candidate, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If the Testimonials are signed by others than a Rector and Vestry, let him here state the reasons.

(2) TESTIMONIALS.

We whose names are hereunder written testify, from our personal knowledge and belief, that A B is pious, sober, and honest, that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is a Communicant of the said Church in good standing, and do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry.

Here follow the signatures of the Rector, and a majority of the Vestry of the Parish or Congregation to which the Postulant belongs.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonials were signed by the Rector and a majority of the Vestry of.....Church in....., said Vestry being duly convened, on the.....day of.....188..
(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But these Testimonials may be signed, in circumstances justifying such alternative, by at least one Presbyter and four respectable Laymen, Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The Standing Committee shall be sole judges of the propriety of receiving Testimonials signed by others than a Rector and Vestry.

If a person not having had Episcopal ordination, but acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate in any other denomination of Christians, desires to become a candidate, he first applies to the Bishop, as directed in Canon 2, § vii of Title I of the Digest, and, when the Bishop authorizes further procedure, he should present to the Standing Committee the *Application* and *Testimonials* above given, and with them the two following certificates: —

(1) A Testimonial from at least twelve members of the denomination from which he comes, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons, — in part of the denomination from which he comes, and in part of this Church, — satisfactory to the Committee, certifying that the Postulant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and

(2) A Testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they believe the Postulant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

II. — FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

(1) The undersigned, a Candidate for Holy Orders, respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission to the Sacred Order of Deacons, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If the Testimonials are signed by others than the Minister and Vestry of the Parish of which he is a member, let him here state the reasons.

(2) We whose names are hereunder written do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A B, for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly,

and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this day of in the year of our Lord

Here follow the signatures of the Minister and Vestry of the Parish or Congregation in which the Candidate is a member, or of the Vestry alone, if the Parish be vacant.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed by the Minister and Vestry of at a meeting duly convened and held on the day of 18.....

Signed,

Clerk of the Vestry

But if there be no organized Parish or Congregation where the Candidate has resided, or if, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, he shall be unable to procure Testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept Testimonials of the purport above stated from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and in that case it is recommended that the residences of the signers should be given, and that, unless they are personally known to the Standing Committee, their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a Testimonial, signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following words:—

I, or we, do hereby certify that A. B. for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I (or we) know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I (or we) think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. This Testimonial is founded on my (or our) personal knowledge of the said A. B. for the year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me (or us). In witness whereof, I (or we) have hereunto set my (or our) hand (or hands), this day of in the year of our Lord

In the case of a Candidate who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate by some other denomination of Christians, the Testimonials are required to cover only the time since his admission to Candidacy.

A Candidate for the Office and Ministration of a Deacon only shall not be ordained within one year from his admission, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, in no case to be less than six months.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be ordained to the Diaconate within three years from his admission, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the consent of three-fourths of the Standing Committee, shall admit him to the Diaconate while yet prosecuting his course of theological studies; in which case he may be ordained at any time after the expiration of one year from his admission.

III. — FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

(1) The undersigned respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission to Priest's Orders, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If signed by others than the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, let him here state the reasons.

(2) We whose names are hereunder written do testify that A. B. for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this day of in the year of our Lord

Here follow the signatures of the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where the applicant resides.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed by the Minister and Vestry of.....Church, in....., said Vestry being duly convened, on the.....day of....., 188..

(Signed)

Clark of the Vestry.

But if the Parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the Parish, the above Testimonial is to be signed by the Vestry alone.

And in case peculiar circumstances not affecting his moral character, or the want of a Vestry where he is residing or ministering, should hinder the procurement of Testimonials as above, the Standing Committee may accept Testimonials, of the same tenor, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church. It is best that, in this case also, their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a Testimonial, signed by at least one Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form:—

(3) I do certify that A B, for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and, moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. This Testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A B for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Candidates for the Priesthood, ordained Deacons under Sect. V. or Sect. VI. of Canon 8, shall not be required to have Testimonials covering more time than has elapsed since their admission to Candidature.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders ordained Deacon within three years preceeding the time of his application for recommendation for ordination to the Priesthood shall only be required to have Testimonials extending back to the time of his ordination, *provided* nothing shall have in the mean while occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the Candidate was ordained a Deacon.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been a Candidate for the Ministry of any other denomination of Christians, may be allowed, as part of the duration of his Candidature, by the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, the period during which he may have been a Student of Theology or Candidate in such other denomination; *provided* that the time so allowed shall not exceed two years.

A Candidate for Priesthood shall not be ordained within three years from his admission, nor, in any case, within one year from his reception of Deacon's Orders, except by the advice and consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese at a meeting duly convened.

Notice.—The Standing Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month except August.

Candidates desiring to be recommended to the Bishop for Orders, and persons seeking to be admitted Candidates, will please send their papers to the Rev. George S. Converse, 48 Cedar Street, Boston Highlands.

All applications lie over one month, and are published in one of the Church papers.

Those who expect to be ordained should prepare their papers two months before the time for their ordination.

APPENDIX D.

I.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN

IN THE

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS,

APRIL, 1883.

The Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D.D., Bishop, Boston.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, Rector of St. James's, North Cambridge.

The Rev. CHARLES MORRIS ADDISON, Rector of St. John's, Arlington, and Missionary at Winchester.

The Rev. ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD ALLEN, D.D., Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.

The Rev. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN, Assistant at Trinity, Boston.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston.

The Rev. AUGUSTINE HEARD AMORY, Assistant at Grace, Lawrence, and Missionary at St. Paul's, North Andover.

The Rev. CHARLES ARMY, D.D., Rector of St. Peter's, Salem.

The Rev. JULIUS WALTER ATWOOD, Deacon, Rector of Ascension Memorial, Ipswich.

The Rev. WILLIAM ROBINSON BARCOCK, D.D., Narragansett Pier, R.I.

The Rev. ARTHUR MANN BACKUS, Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham.

The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, Rector of St. Mark's, Boston, and Examining Chaplain.

The Rev. CHARLES DOUGLAS BARBOUR, Missionary at Christ Church, Plymouth.

The Rev. ARTHUR HENRY BARRINGTON, Rector of Grace, Fiskdale.

The Rev. WILLIAM STOODLEY BARTLET, Registrar of the Diocese, Chelsea.

The Rev. JOHN S. BEERS, General Missionary of the Diocese, Natick.

The Rev. EDWARD BENEDICT, Assistant at Church of the Advent, Boston.

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, Rector of All Saints', Dorchester, Boston.

The Rev. JOHN ALMA BEVINGTON, Nashotah, Wis.

The Rev. FRANK HAGAR BIGELOW, Cordoba, Argentine Republic, S.A.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, Rector of Emmanuel, Somerville.

The Rev. HARRY INNES BODLEY, Rector of St. John's, North Adams.

The Rev. LEVI BOYER, Rector of St. Paul's, Nantucket.

- The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.
 The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., Rector of Trinity, Boston.
 The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., officiating at St. Andrew's, Hanover.
 The Rev. ABBOTT BROWN, Secretary of the Mexican League, Bible House, N.Y.
 The Rev. BELNO ADDISON BROWN, Rector of St. Thomas's, Methuen.
 The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector of St. James's, Roxbury, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE HICKMAN BUCK, Missionary at Grace, South Boston.
 The Rev. FRANCIS GOULD BURGESS, Deacon, Dedham.
 The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL, Chelsea.
 The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., Examining Chaplain, in Europe.
 The Rev. ELLI HAWLEY CAMPFELD, D.D., Arlington, Vt.
 The Rev. HIRAM CARLETON, D.D., East Sandwich.
 The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, in charge of St. John's, East Boston.
 The Rev. ALBERT ST. JOHN CHAMRÉ, D.D., Rector of Ascension, Fall River.
 The Rev. ARTHUR WILLIAMS CHAPMAN, in charge of St. James's, Amesbury.
 The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, Rector of Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.
 The Rev. JONAS B. CLARK, Superintendent of Public Schools, Swampscott.
 The Rev. JOSEPH HART CLINCH, S.T.D., Chaplain of City Institutions, South Boston, and Secretary of Convention.
 The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, Rector of St. John's, Roxbury, Boston.
 The Rev. JAMES IVERE TRECOTHICK COOLIDGE, D.D., Cambridge.
 The Rev. HENRY EVAN COTTON, Rector of Christ Church, Quincy.
 The Rev. FREDERICK COLTRANE, S.T.D., Rector of St. Paul's, Boston.
 The Rev. JEREMIAH J. CRISKEY, Rector of the House of Prayer, Lowell, and in charge of Emmanuel Church, Chelmsford.
 The Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS, Rector of St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn.
 The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Andover.
 The Rev. EDWARD LIVINGSTON DROWN, Rector of St. Paul's, Newburyport.
 The Rev. CHARLES W. DUFFIELD, Missionary at Shelburne Falls.
 The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DUFFELL, Rector of St. Thomas's, East Somerville.
 The Rev. THOMAS EDSON, D.D., Rector of St. Anne's, Lowell.
 The Rev. SAMUEL EDWARDS, in charge of Trinity, Milford, and of Christ Church, Medway.
 The Rev. SAMUEL MOODY EMERY, D.D., Newburyport.
 The Rev. THOMAS FREDERICK FALES, Rector of Christ Church, Waltham, and Examining Chaplain.
 The Rev. H. WARREN FAY, Westborough.
 The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, Rector of Trinity, Lenox.
 The Rev. PETER VOORHEES FINCH, Rector of St. James's, Greenfield.
 The Rev. HENRY LEWIS FOOT, Rector of St. Paul's, Holyoke.
 The Rev. FRANCIS AUGUSTUS FOXCROFT, Cambridge.
 The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, Rector of Grace, Salem.
 The Rev. FREDERICK FREEMAN, Sandwich.
 The Rev. WALTER RUSSELL GARDNER, Assistant at the Church of the Advent, Boston.
 The Rev. ALBERT ETOENE GEORGE, Rector of St. James's, South Groveland.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN ROWLEY GIFFORD, Wood's Holl.
 The Rev. FRANCIS GILLIATT, Assistant at St. Anne's, Lowell.
 The Rev. EDWIN WALTER GOULD, in Europe.
 The Rev. CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston.
 The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, Rector of St. Luke's, Chelsea.
 The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D., Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
 The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, Rector of St. John's, Ashfield.
 The Rev. JOHN GREGSON, Rector of St. John's, Wilkinsonville, and Missionary at Millbury.
 The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, Rector of St. Peter's, Cambridge.
 The Rev. HENRY HAGUE, Rector of St. Matthew's, Worcester, and Missionary at Cherry Valley.
 The Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, in charge of the Mission of St. John the Evangelist, Boston.
 The Rev. ETHEL TREDDONE HAMEL, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton.

- The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, Rector of St. Paul's, Natick, and of St. John's, Framingham.
- The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HARRIS, Rector of St. Michael's, Marblehead.
- The Rev. DAVID GREKNE HASKINS, S.T.D., Cambridge.
- The Rev. CHARLES A. HAYDEN, Rector of St. John's, Gloucester.
- The Rev. JESSE E. HEALD, Rector of St. John's, Millville.
- The Rev. OSGOOD EATON HERRICK, Chaplain U.S. Army, Fortress Monroe, Va.
- The Rev. SAMUEL HAVEN HILLIARD, Rector of St. George's, Lee, and in charge of St. Paul's, Otis, and of the Mission at South Lee.
- The Rev. JAMES MENDS HILLYAR, Missionary at St. Mary for Sailors, Boston.
- The Rev. SAMUEL HODGKISS, Missionary at St. Paul's, Brockton.
- The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HOOPER, Cambridge.
- The Rev. NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D.D., Cambridge
- The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, Rector of the Church of our Saviour, Longwood.
- The Rev. HENRY N. HUDSON, LL.D., Ph.D., Professor in Boston University.
- The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, Rector of St. Paul's, Malden, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. WILLIAM REED HUNTINGTON, D.D., Rector of All Saints', Worcester.
- The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, Rector of Grace, Medford.,
- The Rev. JOSEPH JENES, North Middleborough.
- The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, Rector of Trinity, Weymouth.
- The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON, Assistant at St. Anne's, Lowell, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. ROBERT ELLIS JONES, Deacon, Washington, D.C.
- The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, Assistant at Trinity, Boston, and in charge of the Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston.
- The Rev. BRYAN B. KILLIKELLY, in Europe.
- The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D.D., Rector of St. John's, Charlestown, Boston.
- The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, Rector of St. Paul's, Stockbridge.
- The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Rector of Grace, Lawrence.
- The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEABOYD, Rector of St. Thomas's, Taunton, and Treasurer of Convention.
- The Rev. WILLIAM F. LHOYD, Oxford.
- The Rev. JOSEPH E. LINDHOLM, Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington.
- The Rev. FREDERIC N. LUSON, Missionary at Emmanuel, Wakefield.
- The Rev. JOHN T. MAGRATH, Rector of Christ Church, Hyde Park.
- The Rev. LEANDER CORNELIUS MANCHESTER, Rector of St. John's, Lowell.
- The Rev. FRANCIS MANSFIELD, Rector of St. John's, Taunton.
- The Rev. WILLIAM MCGLATHKRY, Norristown, Penn.
- The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale.
- The Rev. NATHAN WATSON MUNROE, Greenfield.
- The Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE, Rector of Christ Church, Boston.
- The Rev. HENRY SYLVESTER NASH, Instructor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, and in charge of the Ascension, Waltham.
- The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, Rector of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
- The Rev. CHARLES MCILVAINE NICHOLSON, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.
- The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, Rector of Christ Church, Rochdale, and Missionary at Grace, Oxford.
- The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE, Assistant at the Mission of St. John the Evangelist, Boston.
- The Rev. GEORGE ENDICOTT OSGOOD, Rector of Grace, North Attleborough.
- The Rev. GEORGE STURGIS PAINE, Worcester.
- The Rev. CHARLES J. PALMER, Rector of St. Luke's, Lanesborough.
- The Rev. EDMUND BARNABAS PALMER, Boston.
- The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, Rector of Emmanuel, Boston.
- The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, Rector of St. John's, Northampton.
- The Rev. JOHN MILTON PRICK, Rector of Trinity, Bridgewater.
- The Rev. JOSHUA RINDGE PEIRCE, in charge of St. Anne's Chapel, Dorchester, Boston.
- The Rev. GEORGE WASHINGTON PORTER, D.D., Rector of Trinity, Wrentham.
- The Rev. DANIEL S. C. M. POTTER, Deacon, Louisville, Ky.
- The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, and Chaplain of the Insane Asylum, Somerville.

The Rev. AUGUSTUS PRIME, Rector of St. Margaret's, Brighton, Boston.
 The Rev. CHARLES HAYDEN PROCTOR, Rector of St. James's, New Bedford.
 The Rev. CHARLES ARTHUR RAND, Rector of Trinity, Haverhill.
 The Rev. EDWARD AUGUSTUS RAND, in charge of the Mission at Concord.
 The Rev. LINDALL WINTHROP SALTONSTALL, Rector of St. Mary's, Dorchester, Boston.
 The Rev. FRANK ALBION SANBORN, Assistant at the Church of the Messiah, Boston.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN SMITH SANDERSON, Deacon, Assistant at St. John's, Roxbury, Boston.
 The Rev. JAMES A. SANDERSON, Plymouth.
 The Rev. SCNNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, Rector of St. John's, Jamaica Plain, Boston.
 The Rev. HENRY J. SHEKIDAN, in charge of the Church of the Atonement, Westfield.
 The Rev. GEORGE WOLF SHINN, Rector of Grace, Newton.
 The Rev. CHARLES LANCASTER SHORT, Rector of Trinity, Melrose.
 The Rev. SAMUEL ROGGER'S SLACK, Wakefield.
 The Rev. CARLOS SLASTER, Principal of the High School, Dedham.
 The Rev. EDMUND FARWELL SLASTER, Boston.
 The Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, Rector of Christ Church, Pittsburg.
 The Rev. HENRY HERBERT SMYTHE, Rector of St. Mark's, Adams.
 The Rev. SAMUEL SKELLING, Deacon, Assistant at St. John's, Charlestown, Boston.
 The Rev. JAMES FIELD SPALDING, Rector of Christ Church, Cambridge.
 The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, Rector of St. John's, Fall River.
 The Rev. ORLANDO FRARY STARKKY, New London, Conn.
 The Rev. PETER H. STEENSTRA, D.D., Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, and in charge of St. Anne's, Lincoln.
 The Rev. LANGDON CHEVES STEWARDSON, Rector of the Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.
 The Rev. GEORGE A. STRONG, Rector of Grace, New Bedford.
 The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, Rector of St. Paul's, Brookline.
 The Rev. EDWARD HYDE TRUE, Flushing, L. I.
 The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, Rector of Calvary, Danvers, and officiating at St. Paul's Mission, Peabody.
 The Rev. JULIUS HAMMOND WARD, Boston.
 The Rev. ALFRED FOSTER WASHBURN, Deacon, City Missionary, and Assistant at St. Matthew's, South Boston.
 The Rev. JOHN LEE WATSON, D.D., Orange, N.J.
 The Rev. CHARLES LUKE WELLS, Deacon, Missionary at St. John the Evangelist, Hingham.
 The Rev. WILLIAM GOODRUE WELLS, Rector of St. John's, Lawrence.
 The Rev. JOHN CORNWELL WELWOOD, Rector of St. Peter's, Beverly.
 The Rev. GEORGE ROGERS WHEELLOCK, Boston.
 The Rev. JAMES EDWARD WILKINSON, Missionary at the Ascension, Cambridge, and Chaplain of St. Luke's Home, Boston.
 The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, Minister at St. John the Evangelist, Haverhill.
 The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, Rector of Trinity, Woburn.
 The Rev. WILLIAM COPLKY WINSLOW, Boston.
 The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, Rector of St. Matthew's, South Boston, and Chaplain of Church Home, South Boston.
 The Rev. OTIS OLNEY WRIGHT, Rector of Christ Church, Swansea.

Bishop	1
Presbyters	167
Deacons	10
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This list, prepared by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, is hereby certified as correct.

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,
Bishop of Massachusetts.

Boston, April 25, 1883.

I.

List of Parishes.

I.

IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

April, 1883.

Adams, St. Mark's.	Lenox, Trinity.
Amesbury, St. James's.	Lincoln, St. Anne's.
Amherst, Grace.	Longwood, Our Saviour.
Andover, Christ.	Lowell, St. Anne's.
Ashfield, St. John's.	" St. John's.
Beverly, St. Peter's.	Lynn, St. Stephen's Memorial.
Boston (Dorchester), All Saints'.	Malden, St. Paul's.
" Christ.	Marblehead, St. Michael's.
" Trinity.	Medford, Grace.
" St. Paul's.	Melrose, Trinity.
" Church of the Messiah.	Milford, Trinity.
" Church of the Advent.	Millville, St. John's.
" Emmanuel.	Nantucket, St. Paul's.
" St. Mark's.	Natick, St. Paul's.
" St. Mary for Sailors.	New Bedford, Grace.
" (South), St. Matthew's.	Newburyport, St. Paul's.
" Good Shepherd.	Newton (Lower Falls), St. Mary's.
" (East), St. John's.	" Grace.
" (Highlands), St. James's.	" (West and Auburndale),
" " St. John's.	Messiah.
" (Charlestown), St. John's.	North Adams, St. John's.
" (Dorchester), St. Mary's.	Northampton, St. John's.
" (Jamaica Plain), St. John's.	North Attleborough, Grace.
" (Brighton), St. Margaret's.	Oxford, Grace.
Bridgewater, Trinity.	Pittsfield, St. Stephen's.
Brookline, St. Paul's.	Plymouth, Christ.
Cambridge, Christ.	Quincy, Christ.
" St. Peter's.	Rochdale, Christ.
" St. James's.	Salem, St. Peter's.
Chelsea, St. Luke's.	" Grace.
Clinton, Good Shepherd.	Sheffield, Christ.
Danvers, Calvary.	Somerville, Emmanuel.
Dedham, St. Paul's.	" (East), St. Thomas's.
" (Oakdale), Good Shepherd.	South Groveland, St. James's.
Easthampton, St. Philip's.	Southborough, St. Mark's.
Fall River, Ascension.	Springfield, Christ.
Fiskdale, Grace.	Stockbridge, St. Paul's.
Fitchburg, Christ.	Swansea, Christ.
Framingham, St. John's.	Taunton, St. John's.
Gloucester, St. John's.	" St. Thomas's.
Great Barrington, St. James's.	Van Deusenville, Trinity.
Greenfield, St. James's.	Wakefield, Emmanuel.
Hanover, St. Andrew's.	Waltham, Christ.
Haverhill, Trinity.	Webster, Reconciliation.
Holyoke, St. Paul's.	Westfield, Atonement.
Hopkinton, St. Paul's.	Weymouth, Trinity.
Hyde Park, Christ.	Wilkinsonville, St. John's.
Ipswich, Ascension.	Woburn, Trinity.
Lanesborough, St. Luke's.	Wood's Holl, Messiah.
Lawrence, Grace.	Worcester, All Saints'.
" St. John's.	" St. Matthew's.
Lee, St. George's.	Wrentham, Trinity.

II.

ORGANIZED PARISHES NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Arlington, St. John's.
 Chelmsford, St. Anne's.
 Fall River, St. John's.
 Lowell, House of Prayer.

Methuen, St. Thomas's.
 New Bedford, St. James's.
 Otis, St. Paul's.

III.

CHAPELS AND MISSIONS.

Berkshire.	Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist's.
Boston (Dorchester), St. Anne's.	Hingham, St. John the Evangelist's.
" Evangelists.	Lexington.
" St. John the Evangelist's.	Linden, St. Luke's.
" St. Stephen's.	Manchester, Emmanuel.
" (South), Grace.	Medway, Christ.
" Chapel of the Church Home.	Millbury.
Brockton, St. Paul's.	Newton Highlands, St. Paul's.
Cambridge, Ascension.	North Andover, St. Paul's.
" St. John's Memorial	Peabody, St. Paul's.
(Episcopal Theological School).	Shelburne Falls, Emmanuel Memorial.
Cherry Valley, House of Prayer.	South Lee.
Chicopee.	Vineyard Haven, Grace.
Concord.	Waltham, Ascension.
Cottage City, Trinity.	Wareham, Good Shepherd.
East Braintree.	West Somerville, St. James's.
Gardner.	Williamstown, St. John's.
	Winchester.

APPENDIX E.

Diocese of Massachusetts. 1883.

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Officers of the Diocese.

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

THE RT. REV. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D.D.

Secretary of the Convention.

THE REV. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., Residence, 514 E. Broadway, S. Boston.

Assistant Secretary.

THE REV. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, D.D., Residence, Hanover.

Treasurer of the Convention.

THE REV. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, Residence, Taunton.

Registrar of the Diocese.

THE REV. WILLIAM S. BARTLET, Residence, Chelsea.

Preacher before the next Convention.

THE REV. ARTHUR C. A. HALL, in charge of the Mission of St. John the Evangelist, Boston.

Substitute.

THE REV. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D., Rector of St. Paul's, Boston.

Standing Committee.

THE REV. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D., <i>President.</i>	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" GEORGE S. CONVERSE, <i>Secretary.</i>	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" PERCY BROWNE.	EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	CLEMENT H. HILL.

NOTE. — *The Standing Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month, except August. All applications lie over one month, and are advertised in "The Churchman." Address of the Secretary, 98 Cedar Street, Boston Highlands.*

Examining Chaplains appointed by the Bishop.

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON.
" LEONIDAS B. BALDWIN.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES
" ALFRED E. JOHNSON.

Deputies to the General Convention.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.
" THOMAS R. LANBERT, D.D.
" WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.
Messrs. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
" EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.
" EDWARD L. DAVIS.

Substitutes.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.
" HENRY F. ALLEN.
" EDWARD L. DROWN.
" CHARLES ARRY, D.D.
Messrs. FRANCIS J. PARKER.
" ALEXANDER H. RICE.
" JOHN B. STERRINS.
" JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

Nominated as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D.	The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS.
" NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D.D.	" MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
" THOMAS F. FALES.	" JOHN MILTON PECK.
" CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.	" EMELIUS W. SMITH.
" LEANDER C. MANCHESTER.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" ALFRED E. JOHNSON.	JOHN BLISS STERRINS.
" HENRY F. ALLEN.	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" CHARLES ARRY, D.D.	JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
" EDWARD L. DROWN.	DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

II.**Missions.****Diocesan Board of Missions.***President.*

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE, *ex officio*.

Secretary.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROLD, Taunton.

Treasurer.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, 13 Exchange Street, Boston.

*Elected by Convention.**To serve one year.**Clerical.*

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.
" EDWARD M. GUSHEE.

Lay.

JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

*To serve two years.**Clerical.*

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
" CHARLES H. LEAROLD.

Lay.

EDWARD L. DAVIS.
EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.

To serve three years.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.
" HENRY F. ALLEN.

DANIEL CROCKER.
WILLIAM C. LOVERING.

To serve four years.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES. ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.
 " WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON, D.D. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

*Elected by Convocations.**Eastern Convocation.*

The Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN. CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

Southern Convocation.

The Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D. J. D. W. FRENCH.

Central Convocation.

The Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON. JAMES H. HOWE.

Western Convocation.

The Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS. W. E. VERMILYE, M.D.

Eastern District Missionary Convocation.*President ex officio.*

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

Dean.

The Rev. THEODORE EDSON, D.D.

Vice-Dean.

The Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN.

Treasurer.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP.

Secretary.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS.

Members of the Board of Missions, to represent the Convocation.

The Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN. CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

Missionary Committee.

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON. The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.
 " NATHAN K. BISHOP. " EDWARD L. DROWN.
 CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

Southern Convocation.*President ex officio.*

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

Dean.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROLD.

Secretary and Treasurer.

The Rev. ARTHUR M. BACKUS.

Members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation.

The Rev. A. St. JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, D.D. J. D. W. FRENCH

*Central Convocation.**Dean.**Secretary and Treasurer.*

The Rev. GEORGE S. PAINE.

Delegates to the Board of Missions.

The Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON. JAMES H. HOWE.

*Western Convocation.**President ex officio.*

The BISHOP OF THE DIocese.

Dean.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE.

Secretary.

The Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS.

Treasurer.

The Rev. CHARLES J. PALMER.

Representatives to the Board of Missions.

The Rev. J. COTTON BROOKS. W. E. VERMILYE, M.D.

*Massachusetts Church Missionary Society.¹**President.*

JAMES S. AMORY.

Vice-President.

MARTIN L. BRADFORD.

Secretary.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.

Treasurer.

STEPHEN G. DEBLOIS.

Executive Committee.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.

RUSSELL STURGIS, JUN.

" WILLIAM LAWRENCE.

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THIS being the day appointed for the Ninety-fourth Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Massachusetts, the BISHOP, Clergy, and Lay Delegates assembled in the Chapel of Trinity Church, Boston, at nine o'clock A.M.

The BISHOP called the Convention to order, and offered the Lord's Prayer and the Prayer for the Meetings of Convention.

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY then called over the list prepared by the BISHOP, of all Clergymen in the Diocese entitled to *seats* and *votes* in the Convention, as follows (those not present are printed in *Italics*): —

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.

The Rev. Edward Abbott.

“ Charles M. Addison.
“ *Alexander V. G. Allen, D.D.*
“ Frederick B. Allen.
“ Henry F. Allen.
“ Augustine H. Amory.
“ *Charles Arey, D.D.*
“ Julius W. Atwood.
“ Arthur M. Backus.
“ Leonidas B. Baldwin.
“ Charles D. Barbour.
“ John S. Beers.
“ Edward Benedict.
“ George S. Bennitt.
“ John A. Bevington.
“ Nathan K. Bishop.
“ Harry I. Bodley.

The Rev. John C. Brooks.

“ Phillips Brooks, D.D.
“ William H. Brooks, D.D.
“ *Abbott Brown.*
“ Percy Browne.
“ George H. Buck.
“ Waldo Burnett.
“ *John T. Burrill.*
“ Henry Burroughs, D.D.
“ *Eli H. Canfield, D.D.*
“ *Hiram Carleton, D.D.*
“ Nathan H. Chamberlain.
“ A. St. John Chambré, D.D.
“ William F. Cheney.
“ Jonas B. Clark.
“ *Joseph H. Clinch, S.T.D.*
“ George S. Converse.

The Rev. Henry E. Cotton.

“ Frederick Courtney, S.T.D.
 “ Jeremiah J. Cressey.
 “ Louis De Cormis.
 “ Malcolm Douglass, D.D.
 “ James B. Drysdale.
 “ Charles W. Duffield.
 “ George W. Durell.
 “ Samuel Edwards.
 “ *Thomas F. Fales.*
 “ *H. Warren Fay.*
 “ *Justin Field.*
 “ P. Voorhees Finch.
 “ Henry L. Foote.
 “ James P. Franks.
 “ Albert E. George.
 “ Benjamin R. Gifford.
 “ *Edwin W. Gould.*
 “ Charles C. Grafton.
 “ Andrew Gray.
 “ George Z. Gray, D.D.
 “ *Lewis Green.*
 “ John Gregson.
 “ Edward M. Gushee.
 “ Henry Hague.
 “ Arthur C. A. Hall.
 “ Frank S. Harraden.
 “ William R. Harris.
 “ Charles A. Hayden.
 “ *Jesse E. Heald.*
 “ Samuel H. Hilliard.
 “ Samuel Hodgkiss.
 “ *Nicholas Hoppin, D.D.*
 “ Reginald H. Howe.
 “ *Henry N. Hudson, LL.D.*
 “ *George P. Huntington.*
 “ Charles L. Hutchins.
 “ Joseph Jenks.
 “ John A. Jerome.
 “ Reuben Kidner.
 “ Thomas R. Lambert, D.D.
 “ *Arthur Lawrence.*
 “ William Lawrence.
 “ Charles H. Learoyd.
 “ Joseph E. Lindholm.
 “ John T. Magrath.
 “ Leander C. Manchester.

The Rev. Francis Mansfield.

“ Ernest H. Mariett.
 “ *William McGlathery*
 “ Henry A. Metcalf.
 “ Nathan W. Munroe.
 “ William H. Munroe.
 “ Henry S. Nash.
 “ William W. Newton
 “ *Charles McL. Nichol*
 “ Thomas W. Nickers
 “ Edward W. Osborne
 “ *George E. Osgood.*
 “ Charles J. Palmer.
 “ Leighton Parks.
 “ J. Sturgis Pearce.
 “ J. Milton Peck.
 “ Joshua R. Peirce.
 “ George J. Prescott.
 “ Augustus Prime.
 “ Arthur H. Proffitt.
 “ *Edward A. Rand.*
 “ *John B. Richmond.*
 “ L. W. Saltonstall.
 “ B. S. Sanderson.
 “ *Lawrence H. Schoa*
 “ Sumner U. Shearma
 “ George W. Shinn, D
 “ Charles L. Short.
 “ Edmund F. Slafter.
 “ Emelius W. Smith.
 “ *Henry H. Smythe.*
 “ Samuel Snelling.
 “ *James F. Spalding.*
 “ Samuel S. Spear.
 “ Philo W. Sprague.
 “ *Peter H. Steenstra,*
 “ *L. C. Stewardson.*
 “ George A. Strong.
 “ Leonard K. Storrs.
 “ *Joseph A. Ticknor.*
 “ Montgomery H.
 jun.
 “ Joseph M. Turner.
 “ George Walker.
 “ Alfred F. Washburn
 “ Charles L. Wells.
 “ William G. Wells.

The Rev. James E. Wilkinson.
 " J. Frank Winkley.

The Rev. John Wright.
 " Otis O. Wright.

The following list comprises those who are entitled to seats, but not to votes:—

The Rev. William R. Babcock, D.D.
 " Arthur H. Barrington.
 " J. I. T. Coolidge, D.D.
 " Arthur W. Chapman.
 " Edward S. Cross.
 " Herbert N. Cunningham.
 " William J. W. Finlay.
 " Francis A. Foxcroft.
 " Etienne T. Hamel.
 " David G. Haskins, S.T.D.
 " Osgood E. Herrick.
 " John C. Hewlett.
 " James M. Hillyar.
 " Alfred E. Johnson.
 " William F. Lhoyd.

The Rev. George S. Paine.
 " Edmund B. Palmer.
 " George W. Porter, D.D.
 " D. S. C. M. Potter.
 " Charles H. Proctor.
 " James A. Sanderson.
 " Samuel R. Slack.
 " Carlos Slafter.
 " Charles F. Sweet.
 " Edward H. True.
 " Julius H. Ward.
 " John L. Watson, D.D.
 " George B. Wheelock.
 " Charles Wingate.
 " William C. Winslow.

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY then called over the names of Parishes Union with the Convention.

The names of Lay Delegates not present during the session are listed in *Italics*.

DAMS, ST. MARK'S.

John S. Adams.
 Nelson H. Bixby.
 Emil Kipper.

MESBURY, ST. JAMES'S.

Walter B. Titcomb.
 Joseph Pitchforth.
 John F. Pearson.

MHERST, GRACE.

ANDOVER, CHRIST.

Horace H. Tyer.
 William Marland.
 George H. Poor.

ASHFIELD, ST. JOHN'S.

BEVERLY, ST. PETER'S.

Robert H. Bancroft.
 Charles P. Trumbull.
 John D. Lovett.

BOSTON, CH. OF THE ADVENT.

George C. Shattuck, M.D.
 John P. Tarbell.
 Fitch E. Oliver, M.D.

BOSTON (D.), ALL SAINTS'.

Joseph M. Churchill.
 Oliver W. Peabody.
 Thomas Mair.

BOSTON, CHRIST.

John Fox.
 Francis J. Munroe.
 Henry Walker.

BOSTON, EMMANUEL.

Joseph W. Clark.
 Samuel G. Snelling.
 Howard Stockton.

BOSTON, GOOD SHEPHERD.

Edward R. Humphreys, LL.D.
 John D. W. French.
 William F. Wharton.

BOSTON, MESSIAH.

Causten Browne.
Henry M. Upham.
Andrew J. Gustin.

BOSTON (ROX.), ST. JAMES'S.

William Raymond Lee.
Atherton T. Brown.
Danforth C. Hodges.

BOSTON (CHS'N), ST. JOHN'S.

George N. Fisher.
Benjamin F. Stacey.
John G. Dearborn.

BOSTON (HIGH'S), ST. JOHN'S.

John MacConnell, M.D.
Henry B. Mackintosh.
C. Victor Twiss.

BOSTON (J.P.), ST. JOHN'S.

Erastus B. Sampson.
Thomas P. Proctor.
John M. Hagar.

BOSTON (EAST), ST. JOHN'S.

George H. Plummer.
William W. Dwyer.
George L. Thorndike.

BOSTON, ST. MARK'S.

James S. Burbank.
Charles T. Grilly.
Joshua Littlefield.

BOSTON (BR.), ST. MARGARET'S.

John H. Sturgis.
Charles P. Gardiner.
Donald Black.

BOSTON (DOR.), ST. MARY'S.

John P. Clapp.
Martin L. Bradford.
Charles Emery.

BOSTON (SO.), ST. MATTHEW'S.

Henry W. Nelson.
Ira W. Hill.
J. Morton Clinch.

BOSTON, ST. PAUL'S.

Henry A. Turner.
Arthur J. C. Sowdon.
John S. Blatchford.

BOSTON, TRINITY.

Robert Treat Paine, jun.
John C. Ropea.
Benjamin F. Nourse.

BRIDGEWATER, TRINITY.

Joseph B. Fobes, M.D.
John W. Burt.
Arthur Burt.

BROOKLINE, ST. PAUL'S.

Henry S. Chase.
Thomas Parsons.
Mortimer C. Ferris.

CAMBRIDGE, CHRIST.

Samuel Batchelder.
Francis C. Foster.
George L. Foote.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. JAMES'S.

Luke H. Whitney.
Charles F. Conant.
Albert S. Pillsbury.

CAMBRIDGE, ST. PETER'S.

Edward R. Cogswell.
William W. Dallinger.
William A. Brownlow.

CHELSEA, ST. LUKE'S.

Gilbert M. Golden.
William R. Chipman, M.D.
Thomas J. Morrison.

CLINTON, GOOD SHEPHER

Charles G. Stevens.
Samuel A. Bent.

DANVERS, CALVARY.

Benjamin R. Tibbetts.
Daniel J. Preston.
William H. Derby.

DEDHAM (OAKDALE), G SHEPHERD.

E. L. Frothingham.
Thomas Newsome.
William B. Welch.

DEDHAM, ST. PAUL'S.

Ira Cleveland.
Thomas H. Wakefield.
Erastus Worthington.

MASTHAMPTON, ST. PHILIP'S.

Thomas Butterworth.
Nathaniel W. Farrar.
Robert Oliver.

MALL RIVER, ASCENSION.

Borden Chace.
John J. Highlands.
Walter C. Durfee.

MAKSDALE, GRACE.**MATCHEBURG, CHRIST.**

Dennis Fay.
Albert B. Haskell.
Frederick A. Currier.

MEDFORD, ST. JOHN'S.

William Edgar.
Edwin Stone.
William B. Hurd.

MILFORD, ST. JOHN'S.

William Babson.
Otis E. Spear.
John H. Stacy.

MILFORD, ST. JAMES'S.

J. Milton Mackie.
Justin Dewey.
Henry T. Robbins.

MILFORD, ST. JAMES'S.

Chester C. Conant.
George A. Kimball.
Charles R. Lowell.

MILFORD, ST. ANDREW'S.

Lemuel C. Waterman.
Horatio Bigelow.
Benjamin B. Torrey.

MILFORD, TRINITY.

Edward F. Adams.
Charles T. Chase.
William B. Kimball.

MILFORD, ST. PAUL'S.

Elias P. Ford.
William Grover.
Allen Higginbottom.

MILFORD, ST. PAUL'S.

William Kennedy.
James F. Braithwaite.

MILFORD PARK, CHRIST.

Henry Hyde Smith.
Charles C. Hayes, M.D.
Edward M. Whittemore.

IPSWICH, ASCENSION.

John Birch.
Joseph W. Wood.
Charles Tuckerman.

LANESBOROUGH, ST. LUKE'S.**LAWRENCE, GRACE.**

Charles G. Saunders.
Henry M. Whitney.
Warren Durant.

LAWRENCE, ST. JOHN'S.

Samuel Smith.
James Walton.
Nathaniel P. H. Melvin.

LEE, ST. GEORGE'S.

Lucius Crocker.
D. B. Hill.
M. H. Pease.

LENOX, TRINITY.**LINCOLN, ST. ANNE'S.**

George G. Cheney.
Charles E. Smith.
Frank W. Bigelow.

LONGWOOD, OUR SAVIOUR.

Amos A. Lawrence.
William L. Chase.
John Wales.

LOWELL, ST. ANNE'S.

Artemas S. Tyler.
William A. Burke.
James B. Francis.

LOWELL, ST. JOHN'S.

Henry P. Webber.
Albert G. Swan.
William H. Dennis.

LYNN, ST. STEPHEN'S MEMORIAL.

Edward S. Davis.
William F. Johnson.
John A. McArthur, M.D.

MALDEN, ST. PAUL'S.

George C. Tate.
William B. de las Casas.
Robert Platt.

MARBLEHEAD, ST. MICHAEL'S.

William D. T. Trefry.
Samuel Roads, jun.
Frederick Coffin.

MEDFORD, GRACE.

Frederick M. Tilden.
William I. Parker.
James Bean.

MELROSE, TRINITY.

Royal P. Barry.
J. Harrison Ward.
Robert L. Pierce.

MILFORD, TRINITY.

George G. Parker.
Charles Dove.
J. I. C. Cook.

MILLVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

Henry S. Mansfield.
John Waterhouse.
Louis K. Potter.

NANTUCKET, ST. PAUL'S.

W. H. C. Lawrence.
Arthur E. Jenks.
William F. Macy.

NATICK, ST. PAUL'S.

Frank E. Cummings.
John M. Fiske.
Charles Q. Tirrell.

NEW BEDFORD, GRACE.

Frederick C. S. Bartlett.
Edward A. Dana.
Benjamin T. Cummings.

NEWBURYPORT, ST. PAUL'S.

Nathaniel Foster.
Alfred W. Lord.

NEWTON LOWER FALLS, ST. MARY'S.

Walter M. Jackson.
Henry P. Eaton.
Charles M. Sawyer.

NEWTON, GRACE.

William S. Gardner.
George S. Bullens.
Francis J. Parker.

NEWTON (WEST) AND AUBURNDALE, MESSIAH.

Nathaniel F. Nye.
Arthur F. Clark.
George B. Knapp.

N. ATTLEBOROUGH, GRACE.

Otis Stanley.
Oliver Stanley.
Edward Williams.

NORTH ADAMS, ST. JOHN'S.

Charles H. Read.
William A. Gallup.
Frederick A. Wilcoxon.

NORTHAMPTON, ST. JOHN'S.

William C. Robinson.
William W. Lee.
Edwin C. Clapp.

OXFORD, GRACE.

Emory E. Harwood.
L. E. Thayer.
F. A. Howarth.

PITTSFIELD, ST. STEPHEN'S.

T. A. Oman.
Morris Schoff.
Frank E. Kernochan.

PLYMOUTH, CHRIST.**QUINCY, CHRIST.**

William L. Wainwright.
Jeffrey R. Brackett.
B. H. Warren.

ROCHDALE, CHRIST.

Elbridge G. Carlton.
James E. Boardman.
James Harrop.

SALEM, GRACE.

Daniel B. Hagar, Ph.D.
John F. Tuckerman.
John E. Peabody.

SALEM, ST. PETER'S.

George R. Curwen.
Charles E. Barnes.
T. Lyman Perkins.

SHEFFIELD, CHRIST.**SOMERVILLE, EMMANUEL.**

Robert H. Gibby.
Philip Highley.

Charles H. Bradshaw.

SOMERVILLE (E.), ST. THOMAS'S.

Douglas Frazar.
George Vincent.
Thomas M. Durell, M.D.

S. GROVELAND, ST. JAMES'S.*Charles A. Shaw.**David Mackie, jun.***SOUTHBOROUGH, ST. MARK'S.***Joseph Burnett.**Leander W. Newton.**William E. Peck.***SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST.***John B. Stebbins.**James D. Brewer.**Edmund P. Kendrick.***STOCKBRIDGE, ST. PAUL'S.***Daniel B. Fenn, jun.**John Winthrop.**Mason Van Deusen.***SWANSEA, CHRIST.***Frank S. Stevens.**William H. Pearse.***TAUNTON, ST. THOMAS'S.***William H. Bent.**Henry M. Lovering.**John E. Sanford.***TAUNTON, ST. JOHN'S.***George E. Chambers.**Jason H. Hayward.**Frederick E. Fiske.***VAN DEUSENVILLE, TRINITY.***William I. Van Deusen.***WAKEFIELD, EMMANUEL.****WALTHAM, CHRIST.***Ham L. Hovey.**Nahum Smith.**William H. Cravan.***WEBSTER, RECONCILIATION.***William S. Slater.**Amos Bartlett.**James Francis.***WESTFIELD, ATONEMENT.***Roderick C. Smith.**George H. Prescott.***WEYMOUTH, TRINITY.***Edward Avery.**C. A. Chessman.**Frank K. Slack.***WILKINSONVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.***Albert H. Whitin.**Gardner H. Dodge.**Joel Houghton.***WOBURN, TRINITY.***James Folsom.**John Walker.**Charles A. Pringle.***WOOD'S HOLL, MESSIAH.***Joseph S. Fay.**Charles E. Hatch.**Herbert C. Childs.***WORCESTER, ALL SAINTS'.***Francis H. Dewey.**Edward L. Davis.**Sumner Pratt.***WORCESTER, ST. MATTHEW'S.***Matthew J. Whittall.**James Cunningham.**Henry L. Parker.***WRENTHAM, TRINITY.***Charles S. Doggett.**David T. Stone.**Elijah Pond.*

The BISHOP then announced the following as the Committee on Qualifications : —

The Rev. F. S. HARRADEN.

" " GEORGE W. DURELL.

" " GEORGE H. BUCK.

The lists of Clergymen, and the certificates of Lay Delegates, were handed over to the above Committee.

The Convention then took a recess to attend Divine Service in Trinity Church.

Morning Prayer to the First Lesson was read by the Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS, the First Lesson by the Rev. CHARLES A. HAYDEN, the Second Lesson by the Rev. JOHN T. MAGRATH; the Nicene Creed, Prayers, and Litany, by the Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE; the Hymns and Notices were announced by the Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.; the Ante-Communion Service to the Gospel, by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.; the BISHOP reading the Gospel. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. ARTHUR C. A. HALL, from the text, Rev. xxi. 2: "*I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven.*" The Offertory Sentences, and Prayer for the Church Militant, were read by the Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.; the Exhortation, Confession, etc., by the Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON; the Absolution was pronounced by the BISHOP, who then proceeded to the Prayer of Consecration; and, after singing the two hundred and fifth hymn, the Holy Communion was administered to the Clergy and the Laity, by the BISHOP, assisted in the distribution of the elements by the Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., and the Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D. The Post-Communion was read by the BISHOP. The Offerings for the Episcopal Clerical Fund were collected by the Revs. ALFRED F. WASHBURN, JAMES B. DRYSDALE, ERNEST H. MARIETT, and ARTHUR H. PROFFITT, Deacons.

At the conclusion of Divine Service, the Convention returned to the Chapel for the despatch of business, and was called to order by the BISHOP.

The Rev. FRANK S. HARRADEN, from the Committee on Qualifications, presented the following Report: —

The Committee on Qualifications of Members of the Ninety-fourth Convention would respectfully report, —

That they have examined the list of the Clerical members, and find it correct with the exception of the name of the Rev. John S. Beers, the General Missionary of the Diocese, who, according to the provisions of Article II. of the Constitution, is not entitled to a vote.

They would also report that they have examined the certificates of Lay Delegates, and have found them correct.

F. S. HARRADEN.
GEORGE W. DURELL.
GEORGE H. BUCK.

The Report was accepted. .

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY then called the roll of the Clergy and Lay Delegates.

A quorum being found present, the BISHOP declared the Convention open for business.

The first business in order being the election of a Secretary, the BISHOP read a communication from the Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, S.T.D., declining, on account of impaired health, a re-election to the office of Secretary which he had held since 1848, — a period of thirty-six years.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, —

Resolved, That in the election of a Secretary, balloting be dispensed with.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Rev. WM. HENRY BROOKS, S.T.D., be elected.

The Secretary asked permission of the House to appoint the Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the request was granted.

On motion of Mr. AMOS A. LAWRENCE, —

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair, to prepare resolutions expressive of the feelings of the Convention in relation to the retirement of its late Secretary, the Rev. Dr. CLINCH.

On motion of GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., —

Resolved, That the reading of the Rules of Order be dispensed with.

The BISHOP then announced the following Standing Committees : —

<i>On Admission of New Parishes.</i>	{	The Rev. HARRY I. BODLEY.
		“ “ ALBERT E. GEORGE.
		“ “ JOSHUA R. PRIRCE.
		Mr. CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.
<i>On Constitution and Canons</i>	{	“ ROYAL P. BARRY.
		The Rev. EDMUND M. GUSHEE.
		“ “ FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D.
		“ “ REGINALD H. HOWE.
		Mr. JOHN C. ROPES.
<i>Executive Committee</i>	{	“ CAUSTEN BROWNE.
		The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON.
		“ “ HENRY L. FOOT.
<i>On Finance</i>	{	Mr. HENRY A. TURNER.
		The Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON.
		Mr. WALTER C. DURFEE.
<i>On Unfinished Business</i>	{	“ JOHN W. BURT.
		The Rev. SAMUEL H. HILLIARD.
		Mr. JOHN H. STACY.
		“ HENRY P. WEBBER.

Mr. ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON made a statement on behalf of the Committee on Hospitality, inviting the Clerical members to avail themselves of arrangements for their entertainment at the Brunswick Hotel during the session of the Convention.

The SECRETARY presented a petition from St. John's Church, Arlington, and the Rev. JEREMIAH J. CRESSEY a petition from The House of Prayer, Lowell, for admission into union with the Convention.

The documents required by the Constitution, together with the whole subject, were referred to the Committee on Admission of New Parishes.

On motion,

Resolved, That this Convention now take a recess till 3 o'clock P.M.

The Convention re-assembled.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The portion of the Report of the Committee on Qualifications referring to the right of the Rev. John S. Beers, the General Missionary of the Diocese, to a vote in the Convention, was taken up for consideration and action.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, it was

Resolved, That this House approve of the Rev. John S. Beers having a seat and vote in the Convention.

On motion of the SECRETARY, it was

Resolved, That clergymen belonging to other dioceses, candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, former members of this Convention, all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present at its sittings, and the church-wardens and vestrymen of Trinity Church, Boston, be invited to honorary seats in this body.

The following appeared and took seats under the above resolution : —

The Rev. C. MCCARTHY, A.M., T.C.D.

" " BENJAMIN T. HUTCHINS *Diocese of Indiana.*

" " JULIUS W. PAIGE " *Albany.*

The Rev. HARRY I. BODLEY, from the Committee on Admission of New Parishes, made the following Report : —

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes having examined the papers submitted by St. John's Parish, Arlington, and the Parish of The House of Prayer, Lowell, and having found them correct, recommend the admission of said Parishes into union with this Convention.

HARRY I. BODLEY, *Chairman.*

On motion, St. John's Church, Arlington, and The House of Prayer, Lowell, were admitted into union with the Convention.

The SECRETARY called the names of the Lay Delegates from these Parishes as follows : —

<i>St. John's, Arlington</i>	{	GEORGE BAKER. GARDNER S. CHAPIN. EDWARD R. RAND.
<i>The House of Prayer, Lowell</i>	{	JAMES EMMOTT. WATSON J. HILDRETH. CHARLES E. DAME.

Of these Delegates, George Baker appeared, and took his seat.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, from the Standing Committee of the Diocese, made the Annual Report of that Body.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee present the following report for the Conventional year: —

The Committee was duly organized on the fifth day of May, 1883, by the choice of the Rev. Thomas R. Lambert, D.D., as President, and the Rev. George S. Converse as Secretary.

Eleven meetings have been held.

The Committee have signed the canonical testimonials of Philip Moen Washburn, William E. Nies, Gustavus Tuckerman, Edmund Swett Rousmaniere, Walter Edward Clifton Smith, Percy Stickney Grant, Charles E. Barnes, and Arthur H. Wright, recommending them to be admitted Candidates for Holy Orders.

They have signed the canonical testimonials of Frank Woods Baker, Ernest H. Mariett, Sherrard Billings, William Stanley Emery, Thomas Alexander Hyde, William Hyde, James Otis Lincoln, Robert B. Parker, Endicott Peabody, Wilford L. Robbins, Langdon L. Ward, Henry W. Winkley, and Thomas White Nickerson, jun., recommending them for ordination to the Diaconate.

They have signed the canonical testimonials of the Revs. Francis Guild Burgess, James B. Drysdale, Ernest H. Mariett, Arthur Heeley Proffitt, and Joseph A. Ticknor, *Deacons*, recommending them for ordination to the Priesthood.

They have signed the canonical testimonials of the Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D.D., Bishop-elect of East Carolina.

They have given their advice and consent, by a canonical three-fourths vote, to the ordination to the Priesthood of the Revs. Charles Luke Wells, Julius Walter Atwood, Charles Morris Addison, Samuel Snelling, and Benjamin Smith Sanderson, *Deacons*, within one year from their ordination to the Diaconate; and to the ordination to the Priesthood, of the Rev. Frederick Guild Burgess, *Deacon*, within three years of his admission as a Candidate.

They have given their canonical consent to the ordination to the Diaconate, within three years of their admission as Candidates, of Melville Knox Bailey,

Joseph A. Ticknor, Charles Jeremiah Mason, Frank Woods Baker, and Ernest H. Mariett.

They have appointed the Rev. Edmund F. Slafter to the Registrarship of the Diocese, in place of the Rev. William S. Bartlet, deceased; and they have confirmed the acts of the Rev. John S. Beers, appointed by the Bishop immediately after Mr. Bartlet's death, to fill the vacancy temporarily.

They have given their advice and consent to the sale of the church-property of St. John's Parish, Jamaica Plain, and to the removal of the church-building of St. Paul's Parish, Stockbridge.

The Committee have approved the Articles of Association and the Constitution and By-laws of The House of Prayer, Lowell, and of St. John's Church, Arlington.

They have also approved the bill of Messrs. Mills, Knight, & Co., of six dollars, for printing.

Respectfully submitted for the Standing Committee.

GEORGE S. CONVERSE,

Secretary.

The Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS, from the Western Convocation, made the following Report:—

WESTERN CONVOCATION.

The Western Convocation of the Diocese of Massachusetts respectfully reports as follows, for the Conventional year 1883-84:—

Meetings have been held in St. John's Church, North Adams; St. James's Church, Greenfield; and St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield. At the first of these a committee was appointed to secure the services of Missionary speakers, who should visit in succession the various parishes of the Convocation. As a consequence of this action, Archdeacon Kirkby, and, later, Mr. Herbert Welsh, spoke in twelve different Churches, — one presenting the cause of Missions in general, and the other the cause of the Indian Rights Association. So gratifying an interest in the Missionary work has resulted from their visits to the smaller cities and towns of the Western part of our Diocese, that it is proposed, during the coming year, to thus familiarize our congregations still further with the needs and possibilities of the Mission fields.

At the last meeting the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—

Dean, Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH; *Secretary*, Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS; *Treasurer*, Rev. CHARLES J. PALMER; *Members of Board of Missions, Clerical*, Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS, *Lay*, Judge C. C. CONANT.

JOHN COTTON BROOKS, *Secretary.*

SPRINGFIELD, May 12, 1884.

The Rev. GEORGE S. PAINE, from the Central Convocation, made the following Report:—

CENTRAL CONVOCATION.

The Secretary of the Central Convocation respectfully reports as follows:— According to the usual custom, there have been three meetings of the Con-

ocation during the last year: in June, at All Saints' Church, Worcester; in November, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton; and again at All Saints' Church, Worcester, in February.

At these meetings Sermons have been preached, and Essays have been read, by various members of the Convocations, upon topics generally connected with the various modern aspects under which are viewed the various departments of Church work, life, and theology. There has been under consideration the subject of enlarging the limits of this Convocation, by incorporating within it certain sections of the Western or the Eastern Convocations, as might seem fit and convenient. Committees have been appointed, and correspondence has taken place, in reference to this idea, but no practical conclusion has yet been reached in regard to it.

The vacancy in the office of Dean of this Convocation was filled at the meeting in June last, by the election of the Rev. Emelius W. Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Fitchburg.

By the organization of the Mission of St. John the Evangelist, at Worcester, a new Church interest is created within the limits of this Convocation, and a new Presbyter is added to the list of its Clerical Members.

President, ex officio, the Rt. Rev. the BISHOP of the Diocese; *Dean*, the Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH; *Secretary and Treasurer*, the Rev. GEORGE S. PAINE; *Delegates to the Board of Missions*, the Rev. T. W. NICKERSON, JAMES H. HOWE, Esq.

GEORGE STURGIS PAINE, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, it was —

Resolved, That the amendment of Art. 2, Sect. 2, of the Constitution (printed on pp. 70, 71, Journal of 1883) be made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 A.M.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, Treasurer of the Convention, presented his Annual Report.

The Report of the Treasurer was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE presented, in print, the Report of the Committee on the Revision of the Form for Constitution and By-Laws for organizing New Parishes; and on his motion it was —

Resolved, That this Report be made the order of the day for to-morrow at 12 o'clock noon.

(For the Report, see pp. 83-86.)

The BISHOP then delivered his Annual Address.

Bishop Paddock's Address.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

He would be an ungrateful member of the old historic Church in this Diocese, who saw little to thank God for in the blessings vouchsafed to us during the century past; or who could unite with, or indorse, the ignorant or uncharitable belittlings of our progress in our own day. But he would be an indolent and undutiful member who could rest satisfied and content with our advance, when the measure of our opportunities and abilities is considered. This Jubilee year, during which we shall pass our *one-hundredth birthday* as a Diocese, calls for both gratitude and humiliation. If we are true men and Churchmen, it will find both at our hands. On the eighth day of next September, it will be just a century since the Diocese of Massachusetts was organized, — five clergymen of this State, and two of Rhode Island, meeting in the town of Boston. Although the early date next autumn is not convenient for some of the Clergy and people, it is not seemly that this now large and prosperous Diocese pass that day without grateful remembrance. Some of us, perhaps many, can at least unite that morning in worship, in hearing the story of the humble beginnings, and in breaking the bread of life; and in the evening we could recount the manifold goodness of God in our gradual growth, as seen in the development of our educational, charitable, and missionary agencies, in the history of Parish multiplication and expansion, and in such other manifestations as belong of right to such an hour of Diocesan and Missionary commemoration. I leave this matter with the Convention to consider further, and arrange for, if it should commend itself to your judgment.

Since we last met in council, the Church's Triennial Synod has assembled in great strength and admirable spirit, and by manifold

labors, wisdom, and charity has achieved a work more difficult, momentous, and valuable than any ever before wrought by a General Convention during the present century. It is a matter of honest pride, and shall go on record, that the original movement in Convention, out of which grew the Commission on Revision of the Prayer-Book, was inaugurated by an honored and beloved Presbyterian of this Diocese; and that, in all the three years' labor preparatory to the Report, he was a very leader; while in the presentation and management of that wonderful Report in the House of Deputies, by that Presbyterian, there was a modest and half-unconscious exhibition of sustained power of the highest sort, such as perhaps no other cause has ever called forth during our Church's synodical history. All Saints', Worcester, mourns its loss, as does the entire Diocese, now that our beloved Brother, who has resisted so many importunities, has felt it his duty to become the successor of the Assistant Bishop of New York, in that grandly powerful and influential Parish of Grace Church, New York.

But, although we have an admirably enriched and much more "flexible" draught of a *proposed* Book of Worship, this national Church is to-day the possessor of but one Book of Common Prayer, and that *the very one*, without alteration of jot or tittle, which every ordained man before me has solemnly promised to "conform to," and stands bounden to-day, before God and all honest men, to abide by, in his ministrations. We of the Clergy, and you of the people, have not one item of liberty given us by all that noble labor and those grand achievements of the last General Convention. Should the Revision be confirmed at the next Convention, we shall all have much more liberty, and, I believe, most wisely ordered freedom. Meanwhile, we possess only the quaintly termed "Book Annexed," or the Proposed Book, which is not the name of a National Church's adopted Liturgy for Divine Worship. Meanwhile, you and I, dear Brethren of the Ministry, have no more right to revise for ourselves the dear old Prayer-Book than we had when we entered the Ministry; no more right to use a Service or a form out of the Proposed Book than we have out of the Reformed Book of Dr. Cummins, or out of the First or the Second Prayer-Book of Edward the Sixth. This seems too plain to bear argument. Let us be patient, loyal, exemplary. Let us not imprudently accustom our people to changes which have, indeed, been

proposed with more or less of unanimity, but which may never be made. All true Churchmen will use the new Prayer-Book *when they get it*, and not sooner.

I call your attention to the fact that the General Theological Seminary of the Church, now taking great strides forward under its wise and able Dean, has undergone radical changes in its organization. After years of discussion in the annual meetings of its Trustees, and like deliberation in both Houses of the General Convention, it has come under a Constitution which, it is believed, may make it possible for the Seminary to have a more truly *general* character. But the new and greatly reduced Board of Trustees, elected by the late General Convention, does not enter upon duty until Oct. 1, 1884. Meanwhile, the old body of Trustees exists, and acts for the Seminary. In that body the Diocese of Massachusetts is entitled to twenty Trustees, and at our last Diocesan Convention twenty men were legally nominated for said Trusteeship. To-day, however, we have not one Trustee in that Board, save the Bishop of the Diocese. The list of Trustees on p. 535 of the Journal of the last General Convention disfranchises Massachusetts completely. I am informed that the reason of such course lies in the fact that no *list* of our Nominees was forwarded by the venerable Secretary of our Convention to the General Convention. The punishment seems disproportioned to the offence; especially as a word of reminder to our beloved Secretary, or to the Bishop, would have secured the list at a day's notice: but we must accept our discipline graciously, and proceed to reform. At this Convention we should again make up our list of twenty Nominees, to serve until Oct. 1, and forward our names to the Secretary of the Board at once. Doubtless they will be acted on at the very important meeting of the Board to be held on the twenty-eighth day of this month, so that the Diocese will not be unrepresented.

Under the new Constitution of the Seminary we shall be entitled to two Trustees only, besides the Bishop. One of these the General Convention elects; and it has already chosen an honored layman of many years devotion to the Seminary, — Dr. George C. Shattuck. We are to elect the other, presumably a presbyter; and, if both signify their acceptance in writing, they thus become members of the Board that comes into being next October. We shall doubtless perceive the importance of the election, growing out of

the greatly increased responsibility of Trusteeship. Some one who will attend, and whom this Diocese wishes to be its representative, should be chosen.

The Church Temperance Society movement makes some, but not sufficient, progress in this Diocese. Its efficient Secretary, the Rev. Edward W. Osborne, has contributed much to what progress has been made; but our fear and torpor are not commendable. I am more and more persuaded that our Clergy and laity are derelict in duty towards God and their fellow-men, and unfaithful as representatives of the Church of Christ, unless they are awake and thoroughly in earnest in this matter of the guilt and the power of intemperance. Unquestionably, as all statistics show, it is the monster sin of the age, dragging in its train many of our chiefest woes. It is daring, defiant, organized, rich, lawless, fearing neither God nor man. The day has gone by for devout Christians to rest content with picking flaws in some intensely earnest temperance organizations, and seeing no flaw in absolute indifference and inaction. God will hold us responsible for the awful, damning, soul-destroying progress of a sin which, if all the Christian people of this Commonwealth would unite in attacking, could in three years be driven into the very holes and dens of the earth, if it could longer live and breathe anywhere. I only claim, dear brethren of the Clergy and laity, that *we must all find some method* of fighting, in God's name and strength, this legion of devils. Choose your own way; but, for Christ's sake, let it be far diverse from the way of mere criticism, indifference, and inaction.

In connection with this Church Temperance movement, I desire to suggest to my brethren of the Clergy the wisdom of their instituting early and careful inquiries into the scope, methods, and results of a movement in some sections of the Church of England, which has resulted in the organization of "The Church of England Purity Society." It has grown out of the mighty awakening in the Mother Church, and out of the conviction, in particular, of the need of a resolute and organized combating of the destructive and growing sin of uncleanness of living. It seeks to raise up societies, or guilds, in Parishes, bound to the promotion and illustration of purity of life; it holds occasional parochial and general meetings; it creates and diffuses wholesome literature on

the subject. I have seen most of its publications ; and they seem — notably those of Ellice Hopkins — bright, readable, and wisely adapted for the purpose. Dr. Lightfoot, the learned Bishop of Durham, is the deeply interested President of the English Society ; and several of the English Bishops are heartily committed to it. Doubtless there are Parishes amongst us where such Societies, kept under wise and sober leadership, might result in large usefulness. I should be glad to hear of, and assist, such efforts.

New and important legislation will come before you, presumably at an early and full session, tending to enlarge the clerical franchise, and clear up the present ambiguities and unintentional disabilities found in our Article II. of the Constitution. The subject has been very fully discussed for several sessions ; and after divers amendments of the nature of tests had been considered and rejected, the new proposed Article II. was carried last year by a very large majority of both orders. It will ask for action, either final adoption, or amendment and further postponement, at your hands at this Convention.

The year has been one of quiet efficiency, rather than of marked progress, with nearly all of our Societies and Charities ; the business depression makes itself felt in all our undertakings. In a modest and humble way a new Sisterhood has been begun in Boston, called "The Community of the Holy Name," which gives promise of much usefulness, and which has the public and hearty sanction of the Bishop. In every respect its relationship to the Episcopal Office is that recommended by the entire body of Bishops of the Church, English and American, in their official utterances ; and I hesitate not to bespeak for the Sisterhood the respect, confidence, and co-operation of the Clergy and laity of the Church. The Rev. George J. Prescott is the Chaplain of the new Community.

The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary met with a seemingly irreparable loss in the sudden death, last summer, of Mrs. Lucy Lee Chickering, its beloved President. So devout, so wise, so lovely, so consecrated, so full of unifying, harmonizing, inspiring power, was this saint of God, that for months the Auxiliary stood bewildered and dumb on hearing of her sudden translation ; but the office has since been most happily filled by the election of Mrs. Mary D. Burnham, our former helper in the Lord, but lent for a season to another Diocese in the office of a Deaconess, ever

retaining the unmarred honor, confidence, and love of her old-time co-workers and friends. This association, together with all of our Societies and Institutions, will report for itself to this Convention.

A most interesting enterprise has been inaugurated through the zeal and courage of one of our young Candidates for Orders. In Groton, a house and a very large domain have been generously offered for a Church School; and subscriptions have been gotten in Boston and elsewhere amounting to more than thirty-five thousand dollars for the erection of the necessary buildings. An influential Board of Trustees has been incorporated, and the Head-Master and some of his assistants appointed. Under Mr. Endicott Peabody — soon to receive Holy Orders — the school will open in the autumn, and doubtless will be an agency of great good, and, I hope, of the highest intellectual and moral character.

I pass on now to such a summary of the statistics of Episcopal work for the year as I am in duty bound to give, and as will best prepare the way for other considerations. I have made 156 official Visitations, besides being officially present also at 30 other Services, such as Convocations, Consecrations, Ordinations, and the like. Every year calls for a large amount of generally unobserved labor in meetings for Conference, with Committees, with Trustees, in Theological Examinations, etc. I have recorded 137 such meetings since last Convention. On divers occasions I have made public utterances 293 times; and on 142 occasions, public or private, I have confirmed 1,250 persons. I read you the names of the churches for which (and generally in which) the Candidates were confirmed, and the numbers belonging to each: —

Grace, Newton	14	Mission, Millbury	3
St. Paul's, Newton Highlands .	17	St. John's, Charlestown (Two	
Messiah, Auburndale	8	Visitations)	10
Emmanuel, Concord (Two Visita-		St. James's, Greenfield	7
tions)	4	St. John's, Ashfield	1
Grace, Lawrence	21	Christ, Springfield	25
St. Paul's, North Andover . . .	16	Indian Orchard (for Springfield) .	1
St. John's, Lawrence	19	Huntington	1
St. Andrew's, Hanover	1	St. Paul's, Holyoke	8
Calvary, Danvers	7	St. Philip's, Easthampton . . .	17
St. Paul's, Peabody	6	St. John's, Northampton . . .	3
St. John's, Millville	4	Grace, Amherst	1
Grace, Fiskdale	1	St. Anne's, Lincoln	5
St. John's, Wilkinsonville . . .	2	Christ, Medway (Two Visitations),	6

St. Paul's, Brockton	5	St. Margaret's, Brighton	5
Trinity, Bridgewater	9	St. Luke's Home, Boston	2
Good Shepherd, Wareham	11	St. Anne's, Dorchester	6
Grace, Vineyard Haven	4	Mission, Watertown	3
St. George's, Lee (Two Visitations)	5	St. John's, Gloucester	20
St. Paul's, Otis	1	St. Mary's, Dorchester	11
Mission, South Lee	3	Good Shepherd, Boston	10
Trinity, Van Deusenville	5	Grace, South Boston	12
St. Paul's, Stockbridge	2	Good Shepherd, Dedham	2
St. James's, Great Barrington	6	Ascension, Cambridge	9
Christ, Sheffield	3	St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn	17
Trinity, Lenox	1	St. James's, Cambridge	14
St. Stephen's, Pittsfield	25	Trinity, Melrose	3
St. Mark's, Adams	11	St. John's, Jamaica Plain	13
Greylock (for St. John's, North Adams)	2	St. Paul's, Dedham	11
St. John's, North Adams	17	House of Prayer, Lowell	5
Christ, Quincy	7	St. John's, Lowell	12
St. Luke's, Linden (Two Visitations)	12	St. Anne's, Lowell	14
Ascension Memorial, Ipswich	10	All Saints', Chelmsford	4
St. Michael's, Marblehead	4	Grace, Salem	4
St. James's, New Bedford	9	St. Luke's, Chelsea	10
Christ, Swansea	4	St. John's, Arlington	14
Ascension, Fall River	15	Mission, Winchester	4
St. John's, Fall River	16	St. John's, Worcester	7
The Redeemer, Lexington	1	All Saints', Worcester	4
Good Shepherd, Clinton	3	St. Matthew's, Worcester	17
Christ, Rochdale	5	Reconciliation, Webster	9
Mission, Cherry Valley	4	St. Matthew's, South Boston	31
Emmanuel, Wakefield	8	St. Thomas's, Somerville	15
St. Paul's, Malden	11	Emmanuel, Somerville	13
Grace, North Attleborough	2	St. Paul's, Brookline	3
All Saints', Dorchester	11	St. Paul's, Natick	6
St. John's, East Boston	1	Ascension, Waltham	4
St. John the Evangelist's, Hingham	4	St. Mark's, Boston	11
St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls	7	The Evangelists', Boston	5
St. Peter's, Beverly	8	St. Paul's, Boston	5
Advent, Boston (Two Visitations),	37	Messiah, Boston	
Christ, Cambridge	20	Our Saviour, Longwood (through Bishop Howe)	
St. Peter's, Salem	12	Christ, Waltham	
St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston	1	St. Peter's, Cambridge	
Christ, Hyde Park	10	St. John's, Boston Highlands	
St. John the Evangelist's, Boston,	39	Grace, Medford	
Trinity, Woburn	4	Emmanuel, Boston	
		St. James's, Roxbury	
		Trinity, Boston	
		Christ, Plymouth	

n's, Taunton 8	St. John's, Framingham 2
mas's, Taunton 23	Ware 3
New Bedford 11	Christ, Fitchburg 10
Andover 5	St. Mark's, Southborough . . . 19
mas's, Methuen 9	St. John the Evangelist's, Cam-
Weymouth (Two Visita-	bridge 12
ns) 11	St. John the Evangelist's, Haver-
Boston 19	hill 6
es's, West Somerville . . 1	Trinity, Haverhill 7
es's, Amesbury 1	St. James's, South Groveland . 13
's, Newburyport 4	

equired by Canon, I lay before you, in an Appendix to this
is, the record of all my official acts for the year; not to be
unless called for, because of the consumption of time. It
summarized as follows:—

ations — (number of Administrations)	142
ations — (number confirmed)	1,250
ions of the Holy Communion	81
preached	167
es delivered	126
sings and Sunday-school Addresses	10
ervices (not recorded above)	27
ations, Synodical and Committee Meetings, etc.	137
.	4
es	2
aders licensed (from Advent to Advent)	46
te for Deacon's Orders (admitted)	1
tes for Priest's Orders (admitted or received, 10; transferred,	
present number of Candidates	30
ions (Deacons, 5; Priests, 4)	9
en deceased	5
en received	15
en transferred	21
en, present number (Bishop, 1; Priests, 154; Deacons, 7) . . .	162
es or Chapels in building	5
es consecrated	5
es or Chapels opened without Consecration	3
elect, consent given	6
elect, assisted to Consecrate	1

re yielding to some suggestions that spring up easily from
iew of the year, I may allude briefly to a most happy event
ow out of a generous thought of last year's Convention. You
ed that we should unite, on the first Ember Day in Septem-

ber, in commemorating the Tenth Anniversary of my Consecration as your Bishop. Your Committee performed their duty with admirable skill, labor, and delicacy; and the result was a day ever to be remembered by myself and family. In the midst of the trying duties of the Episcopal office in a large Diocese, — where a conscientious and yet easily erring man must often seem to be wrongly reproving, rebuking, exhorting, encouraging, approving, discriminating, urging, arresting, his brethren, his equals or superiors in every thing except office, — believe me, dear friends, one does not have to live out ten years of labor and care, to have it sound very cheering to his weary heart if his dear Brethren of the Clergy and laity can come upon an hour of especial charity and generous forgetfulness, when they can cry out, regardless of strict proprieties and severe accuracy, “Well done, good and faithful servant!” I so construed the acts and words of the great throng of friends around me last September, and, without being made conceited, was made most grateful and happy.

The review of the past year presents some noteworthy suggestions. Last autumn we had reached a higher number on our Clergy list than ever before: but now it appears that in no previous year of my Episcopate has this Diocese lost so many of its Clergy by death; and never before has it had any annual loss by removal, comparable to that of the past year. It seems almost incredible that twenty-six of the Clergy on our list a year ago are no longer counted: five have departed this life, and twenty-one have taken Letters Dimissory. More of our strong Churches have fallen vacant than in any previous year. But few are vacant now. Some are filled by Clergymen not yet transferred to this Diocese, but we have received fifteen new men. Soon after Convention, I shall ordain to the Diaconate, God willing, no less than eleven candidates, — a larger number than ever before in any one year. Should we lose of these only the two now intending removal, we shall set forward our present reduced number of one hundred and sixty-two to a point a little beyond any former report. As a Diocese, we are growing.

But a study of our Confirmation lists shows us no such increase of spiritual fruitage as we have a right to expect. Of course the aggregate of the last ten years is much larger, than that of the former ten, but it does not maintain the proper rate of increase.

Last year our number was smaller than usual : this year it is about two hundred larger than last year ; but the number confirmed is not so large a percentage of the number of Communicants as it is in many Dioceses. My Brethren of the Clergy will forgive me if I say, frankly, that I fear there is not enough of aggressive work in this great ministerial obligation of winning souls to Christ. I see danger in the frequent avowal among Clergymen that every member of a Confirmation class has come to the Minister, he having suggested it to no one individually. Undoubtedly there are many in every Parish who ought to hear the personal warning and loving plea, and who will pass through the most hopeful seasons without confessing Christ, unless *sought for Christ*. No man ought to be many years as a Watchman over a Church, and leave it possible for any soul to say, " No Minister ever cared enough about my soul's salvation to speak to me about it."

Before I allow myself the cheer that will come from sundry tokens of life and progress in various parts of the Diocese during the last year, I must set before you with faithful plainness the shortcomings of many of the Churches in reference to Diocesan Missions. The Report of the Board will show you the very considerable deficit of nearly two thousand dollars. It is not because we have done so much more work than heretofore : I think more work is being done, but not at larger outlay. It is not because of lack of confidence in the methods or wisdom of the Board : I believe that no one who is sufficiently interested in Diocesan Missions to have studied the matter conscientiously, and to have tried to interest his people, will venture to say so. Our insufficient income grows out of offerings, on the part of too many of our Churches, wholly, pitifully, beneath their ability. There are Churches with costly equipments and services, as well as with meagre outfit and outlay, which give an utterly unworthy contribution to our Missions. There are those which give more each year for flowers and Christmas decoration than for the blessed and abiding work of extending the Gospel and the Church throughout the Commonwealth. There are those which give more to a number of causes, of more or less merit, than to this ; more to the same sort of work without the State than within it. And there are very many Churches where no full, convincing, hearty statement of our work and our needs is ever heard ; and the people are said to be uninterested in this cause, simply be-

cause they are left uninstructed, unintelligent, unmoved. Until every Clergyman will make it his business to see that the annual collections are taken, and that his people *are prepared to give intelligently and religiously*, we shall come short of our duty.

And, my dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity, we must not deceive ourselves, should we discover that the average receipts of the Board are nearly equal to those of three or five years ago. We are losing ground if they are not more. With a large increase of Clergy and Churches, and several thousand more of Communicants, we are not holding our own unless our receipts are much larger than formerly. God help every member of Christ, Minister or layman, to see his duty, and to have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same!

It will, I hope, occur to every Parish and Mission receiving aid from the Board, that this deficiency suggests a possible retrenchment, and certainly no increase, in the stipends to be voted for the ensuing year. It is a good time for Parishes that have been content to depend on their brethren for years — in some cases doing well for themselves, meanwhile, by securing a costly organ, or a bell, or handsome decorations, or new carpets, or a professional choir — to rise up, and thank the Board, and take their leave of its bounties. There has been too little conscience in this matter, and here and there too dull a sense of honor.

The review of the year is marked by many noteworthy improvements and advances in Parish life and activities, but not all of them come to my notice, especially if effected subsequent to my annual Visitation. But I note with pleasure the following: —

With great courage and wisdom the good people of St. Philip's, Easthampton, refusing the temptations to their poverty to buy a lot for a church site in a wrong place, have bought one in the right place, and have nearly or quite secured the necessary \$2,500, — a most commendable effort. St. Luke's, Chelsea, has completely renovated and decorated its church, at a cost of about \$1,000. St. Paul's, Brookline, has greatly improved its always noble church, at a cost of \$6,000. St. John's, Millville, has wrought out necessary and great improvements, costing almost \$700. Christ Church, Cambridge, rejoices in the truly munificent gift of an organ worth \$3,000. St. John's, Arlington, a prosperous young Parish, has again bettered its Church, without and within, by an outlay of

\$250. St. James's, South Groveland, has wisely expended \$300. St. Anne's, Lincoln, has raised upwards of \$800, and has used it well in building a tasteful bell-tower, and in finishing the basement of the Church. Emmanuel, Somerville, has laid out, in improvements and decorations, about \$700. St. Matthew's, Worcester, has spent nearly \$500 on its Church, and, unless restrained by an unhappy condition in the title to its land, may soon plant itself on a far more promising site near its already built Parish House. Grace, Medford, has made great advance: an exquisite Font in memory of the Rector's dear child, and the brilliant decorations, having cost \$3,200. St. Paul's, Boston, at a single collection on Easter Day, paid its entire debt of \$21,500, besides starting a Rectory fund of \$5,000; and it has grandly signalized its freedom from debt by placing the entire property — of great value — in the keeping of the Trustees of Donations to the Diocese. May such an example be heeded by many others! St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn, has had a rood-screen given as a memorial, costing much. The Advent, Boston, has erected a like structure. St. Mark's, Southborough, is placing a peal of three bells in its tower. St. Anne's, Lowell, is at work on great and commendable changes, but the record must be left for another year. Emmanuel, Boston, has built, and paid for, a beautiful Parish House of stone, costing \$14,000, and besides has spent well-nigh \$4,000, in the improvement of the interior of the Church.

Of Churches and Chapels, building or built, the record is very cheering. St. Paul's, Malden, has nearly completed its Parish building, at a cost of \$2,600, — nearly all paid for. St. James's, North Cambridge, has dedicated a like building, costing \$4,000, — all paid for. All Saints', Dorchester, is at work enlarging its Church, — a measure absolutely required by its substantial growth. St. Paul's, Newton Highlands, has erected a pleasing rural Church, costing, with its site, about \$4,000, on which some indebtedness remains; but the effort has been a very noble and successful one. St. Paul's, Stockbridge, — a solid and costly stone edifice, — will be completed next autumn. Trinity, Bridgewater, on its new site, is approaching completion, — to the great prospective advantage of the ancient Parish; but it is a grief to me, and a discouragement to the Church people of that village who have given nobly, that so few of our favored laymen in Boston have responded kindly to a most commend-

able appeal. The effort is costing upwards of \$6,500 ; and there is hope that a little more aid from outside, renewing the well-tasked generosity of the good people, may free it from all indebtedness. Trinity Mission, Concord, is erecting a stone chapel, under cheering auspices. Grace Church, Vineyard Haven, has been built and consecrated. Emmanuel, Manchester, greatly indebted to a devout man widely known and honored in our community, has been given to God, and has received consecration. Good Shepherd, Wareham, a Church once standing in West Springfield, is now more beautiful than ever, and is consecrated. Some noble gifts of esteemed Churchmen at Wareham, and the devoted and sacrificing labors of a Lay-Reader, — who has done much to supply the want of a Pastor, which they have never had, — have made this good work possible. A little Church, costing \$2,000, is just now completed, chiefly by summer visitors, at Mattapoisett. St. Luke's, Linden, a rural Church, well placed, with pews and ceiling of cypress, and chancel furniture of oak, with stained glass of great beauty, and with most tasteful decoration, is the most successful work of its cost — about \$3,000 — in the Diocese of Massachusetts, and deserves the study of those about to build inexpensive Churches. This signal success has been accomplished by the zeal and sacrifice of the Deacon who is its Minister, cheered and aided by a people who have done what they could. The Church has been consecrated. Trinity Church, Cottage City, Martha's Vineyard, is a unique and handsome structure, owing much to the unstinted giving of some of the summer visitors at that famed little seaside "city." It was opened for services last summer, and probably will be consecrated during July. Ascension Memorial, Ipswich, now at last complete, has been consecrated. Emmanuel Memorial, Shelburne Falls, a beautiful stone Church, with Chapel, costing about \$30,000, has been opened, and will be consecrated this month. It is the gift of one noble, loving soul among our Church-women of Boston. Very many of these valuable Churches — including the grand old St. Paul's, Boston — have intrusted the titles of their property, most wisely, to the Trustees of Donations of this Diocese.

I have reserved to the last the mention of our heavy losses during the year, through the translation of some of our fellow-workers to the Paradise of God ; but, as you know, I do not generally remind this Convention of the many losses, occurring every year in a Diocese so large as this, of valued worker among the laity.

One Bishop of the Church has fallen in the very height of his usefulness and lawful honors. Bishop Clarkson is probably as complete a realization of this Church's ideal of a Missionary Bishop as we have ever seen, or perhaps shall see. Leaving a great, loving, generous City Parish, to take up a most homeless and laborious work in a vast and sparsely settled territory, he won all hearts there, and all that went there from year to year. Planning wisely, leading fearlessly, judging sagaciously, believing unwaveringly, working heroically, pleading winningly, he left a robust Diocese where he found a few scattered Christians. If you seek his monument, look around you, and the Diocese of Nebraska will seem all-sufficient.

We have lost from our own Clergy no less than five during the last year. The venerable Dr. Theodore Edson was called from his long life of labor, to the rest that remaineth for the people of God, on the twenty-fifth day of June last. He was within two months of ninety years of age, but up to a late period had been in the discharge of many of the duties of his pastorate. His work began in Chelmsford (now Lowell), in 1824, — years before most of us, now old in the ministry, were born, and when the village numbered two thousand people. The work was continued uninterruptedly for fifty-nine years, with what results you all know; with what faithfulness, unweariedness, prayerfulness, sacrifice, humility, consecration, you all understand. Dr. Edson was eminently a man of God, and has left an impression for good on his city and neighborhood, which can hardly be effaced during the memory of those now living. In the Diocese, and the Church at large, he has also been greatly influential for good. It is idle to attempt such a man's eulogy: every heart has framed it already; and the record is already made up, and is unchangeable.

Soon after Dr. Edson's death, the Rev. Dr. Samuel Moody Emery ended a long and honored life. He died at West Newbury on the sixteenth day of August, in the eightieth year of his age. His chief pastorate was his Rectorship of Trinity, Portland, Conn., where he wrought for thirty-seven years. Upwards of ten years ago he withdrew from active service, and returned to his boyhood's home. In times of necessity he has rendered good service since, notably in his long term of gratuitous care of St. James's, Amesbury, at a time of complete business prostration in that village. Devout, wise, humble, charitable, sound in the faith, Dr. Emery

was a man to make friends of all who knew him. We bless God for his good example.

Soon followed another of our veteran Clergy. The Rev. Frederick Freeman died at Sandwich, the town of his birth, on the 12th of September, in the eighty-fourth year of his age. He had been wrecked by illness and painful infirmities for many years; but an hour passed at his bedside, nearly two years ago, showed me one who had been rightly exercised by the chastening hand of God, and was waiting patiently for deliverance and rest. He was a great sufferer. His work in the Ministry had been terminated by illness before I came into the Diocese; but his studies were maintained, and his pen was not idle. As a historian of his native county, and of the Indian tribes, he achieved prominence.

On the twelfth day of December, the Rev. William Stoodley Bartlet died at Chelsea, in the seventy-fifth year of his age. He was the Registrar of the Diocese at the time of his death. Mr. Bartlet was a man of much intellectual force and acumen, and was formerly an active Pastor of the Diocese. Those who knew him best esteemed highly his good qualities. His active work in the Church was all done before I came into the Diocese; and his growing infirmity of deafness had well-nigh put an end to public duty years before he was called away. It was his purpose to have completed and published a history of our Massachusetts Church, from its origin down to the present day, — a study for which he had some singular qualifications; but infirmities crept on him too fast.

The saddest death of the year was that on that wintry night of Jan. 18, when the steamer "City of Columbus" plunged on the hidden rocks off Gay Head, Martha's Vineyard, and gave to the terrible sea over a hundred precious lives. The Rev. Charles Arthur Rand, Rector of Trinity Church, Haverhill, for more than thirteen years, and in the very prime of his life, — forty years of age, — was reluctantly leaving his Parish at the bidding of his physicians, in quest of health, imperilled by over-work. By his side was his invalid wife — whom to know was to admire and to love — and their little surviving daughter; and with them journeyed that venerable father, for so many years one of the most active, honored, and useful laymen of this Diocese, and his own faithful wife, full of zeal and good works. The loving group went unbroken into the Paradise of God. It was a stormy passage indeed, but short;

and God brought them all — the sick, the weary, the aged — into the haven where they would be. And how well fitted was our dear brother for God's ordering! Some close knowledge of his inner life had taught me to revere profoundly his sincerity, purity, and consecration. He walked with God. His life had no trace of ease-loving, self-indulgence, divided service, negligence. He did what his hands found to do with his might, and he did it as unto the Lord, and not unto men. And when the awful night came, in which no work could be done, he had no work to do: he was ready, and need only fold his arms around his dear ones, and commend them all to the Lord Jesus, with whom they are now in everlasting rest and felicity.

I detain you no longer. The remembrance of the laborers at rest may well be our last thought as we gird up our loins anew, and enter on another year of work and care and weariness for Christ and His Church. Only let none of us forget his office, and the Ministry which he has received of the Lord Jesus; let none be found ease-loving, uncaring for souls, indolent. Watch! for the Master cometh.

APPENDIX TO THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

I.

I.—HELPERS AND SEEKERS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY.

1. LAY READERS.

(Holding License until Advent, 1884.)

Thomas Mair.	N. W. Farrar.
E. C. Millett.	Langdon L. Ward.
Frederick A. Warner.	Gustavus Tuckerman
Henry S. Webber.	Robert B. Parker.
F. E. Fiske.	Rowland Cotton Smith.
Charles E. Barnes.	William S. Chase.
William Hyde.	Thomas A. Hyde.
Harry W. B. Stafford.	James P. Ware.
James N. Edmonston.	Walter E. C. Smith
Paul B. Watson.	John H. Sturgis.
Robert M. Lawrence.	Carlton P. Mills.
James F. Sayer, jun.	D. Dulany Addison
William E. Peck.	Francis L. O. Barton.
Henry M. Snell.	Wallace H. Ham.
George C. Tate.	George F. Smythe.
Henry W. Winkley.	Henry M. Ladd.
Edmund S. Rousmaniere.	George Alexander Strong.
George R. Curwen.	Henry Wood.
J. D. W. French.	Endicott Peabody.
John W. Young.	Thomas W. Nickerson, jun.
Charles H. Baggs.	Sherrard Billings.
John W. Suter.	Wilford L. Robbins.
Albert L. Pillsbury.	Clarence E. Kelley.
Edgar W. Upton.	

2. CANDIDATES FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

Charles E. Barnes	Admitted May 6, 1884
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3. CANDIDATES FOR PRIESTS' ORDERS.

Philip M. Washburn	Admitted July 2, 1883
Alfred F. Washburn (Deacon)	" Oct. 2, 1877
Henry E. Sargent	" Nov. 2, 1880
Joseph A. Tinkner	" Nov. 2, 1880

Endicott Peabody	Admitted May 4, 1881
James O. Lincoln	" June 8, 1881
William S. Emery	" June 8, 1881
Thomas W. Nickerson, jun.	" July 5, 1881
Wilford L. Robbins	" Nov. 26, 1881
Henry W. Winkley	" Dec. 7, 1881
John W. Suter	" Dec. 7, 1881
Sherrard Billings	" Jan. 4, 1882
William Hyde	" Jan. 4, 1882
Thomas A. Hyde	" Jan. 4, 1882
Ernest H. Mariett	" March 8, 1882
George Franklin Smythe	" July 4, 1882
Carlton P. Mills	" July 4, 1882
Langdon L. Ward	" Nov. 8, 1882
Henry Wood	" Dec. 6, 1882
George Alexander Strong	" Jan. 5, 1883
Arthur H. Proffitt (Deacon)	Received by Letters July 21, 1883
James B. Drysdale (Deacon)	Received by Letters Nov. 19, 1883
William E. Nies	Admitted Nov. 7, 1883
Gustavus Tuckerman	" Jan. 3, 1884
Edmund S. Rousmaniere	" Feb. 6, 1884
Walter E. C. Smith	" Feb. 6, 1884
Robert B. Parker	Received by Letters Feb. 18, 1884
Percy S. Grant	Admitted March 4, 1884
Arthur H. Wright	" May 6, 1884

II.—THE CLERGY RECORD.

1. CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

Consent Given.

David B. Knickerbacker, D.D., to be Bishop of Indiana.
 Henry C. Potter, D.D., LL.D., to be Assistant Bishop of New York.
 Alfred M. Randolph, D.D., to be Assistant Bishop of Virginia.
 William D. Walker, to be Missionary Bishop of North Dakota.
 Alfred A. Watson, D.D., to be Bishop of East Carolina.
 Samuel D. Ferguson, to be Bishop of Cape Palmas, etc.
 William J. Boone, to be Bishop of Shanghai, etc.

Assisted to Consecrate.

William D. Walker, Missionary Bishop of North Dakota.

2. ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE.

May 30, 1883. Melville Knox Bailey, in Holy Trinity Church, Middletown, Conn.
 " 30, 1883. Joseph Almon Ticknor, in Holy Trinity Church, Middletown, Conn.
 " 30, 1883. Charles Jeremiah Mason, in Holy Trinity Church, Middletown, Conn.
 June 20, 1883. Frank Woods Baker, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.
 " 20, 1883. Ernest Homer Mariett, in St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.

3. ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

- May 22, 1883. Julius Walter Atwood, in St. John's, Charlestown.
 " 22, 1883. Charles Luke Wells, in St. John's, Charlestown.
 " 22, 1883. Benjamin Smith Sanderson, in St. John's, Charlestown.
 " 22, 1883. Francis Guild Burgess, in St. John's, Charlestown.
 " 22, 1883. Samuel Snelling, in St. John's, Charlestown.
 " 22, 1883. Charles Morris Addison, in St. John's, Charlestown.

4. RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

- July 21, 1883. Arthur H. Proffitt (Deacon), from Northern New Jersey
 Sept. 5, 1883. John C. Hewlett, from Rhode Island.
 " 5, 1883. Gustav E. Purucker, from Indiana.
 " 7, 1883. Montgomery H. Throop, jun., from Albany.
 " 14, 1883. Harold Arrowsmith, from Long Island.
 " 19, 1883. John B. Richmond, from New Hampshire.
 " 29, 1883. Joseph M. Turner, from Central Pennsylvania.
 Nov. 19, 1883. James B. Drysdale (Deacon), from Tennessee.
 Jan. 12, 1884. Lawrence H. Schwab, from Nebraska.
 " 14, 1884. Philo W. Sprague, from Iowa.
 " 18, 1884. Charles F. Sweet, from New York.
 Feb. 11, 1884. Waldo Burnett, from Oxford, Eng.
 April 21, 1884. Edward S. Cross, from Central Pennsylvania.
 May 7, 1884. William J. W. Finlay, from Albany.
 " 9, 1884. Herbert N. Cunningham, from Iowa.

5. TRANSFERRED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

- May 10, 1883. Henry J. Sheridan, to California.
 " 23, 1883. Francis G. Burgess, to Pennsylvania.
 June 1, 1883. Charles J. Mason, to Maryland.
 " 1, 1883. Melville K. Bailey, to Connecticut.
 July 21, 1883. Frank A. Sanborn, to Northern New Jersey.
 Sept. 7, 1883. Frank W. Baker, to Rhode Island.
 Oct. 25, 1883. Harold Arrowsmith, to Northern New Jersey.
 Nov. 19, 1883. Belno A. Brown, to Western Michigan.
 " 22, 1883. Bryan B. Killikelly, to Long Island.
 " 22, 1883. William R. Hooper, to Central Pennsylvania.
 " 27, 1883. Walter R. Gardner, to Fond du Lac.
 Dec. 15, 1883. John C. Welwood, to Long Island.
 Jan. 22, 1884. William R. Huntington, D.D., to New York.
 Feb. 14, 1884. Gustav E. Purucker, to Central New York.
 " 23, 1884. Orlando F. Starkey, to Connecticut.
 April 5, 1884. Francis Gilliat, to Vermont.
 " 9, 1884. Edward L. Drown, to Florida.
 " 10, 1884. Frederic N. Luson, to New York.
 " 19, 1884. Robert E. Jones (Deacon), to Western Michigan
 " 21, 1884. Frank H. Bigelow, to Wisconsin.
 " 26, 1884. Levi Boyer, to Ohio.

6. DECEASED.

June 25, 1883. Theodore Edson, D.D.
 Aug. 16, 1883. Samuel M. Emery, D.D.
 Sept. 12, 1883. Frederick Freeman.
 Dec. 12, 1883. William S. Bartlet.
 Jan. 18, 1884. Charles A. Rand.

7. RESIGNATIONS.

A. H. Barrington, Rector, Grace, Fiskdale.
 Henry J. Sheridan, Rector, The Atonement, Westfield.
 Samuel Snelling, Assistant, St. John's, Charlestown.
 Frank A. Sanborn, Assistant, Messiah, Boston.
 Walter R. Gardner, Assistant, The Advent, Boston.
 Levi Boyer, Rector, St. Paul's, Nantucket.
 J. A. Jerome, Rector, Trinity, Weymouth.
 William Lawrence, Rector, Grace, Lawrence.
 Belno A. Brown, Rector, St. Thomas's, Methuen.
 A. W. Chapman, in charge, St. James's, Amesbury.
 William B. Huntington, D.D., Rector, All Saints', Worcester.
 J. H. Clinch, S. T. D., City Institutions, South Boston.
 Lewis Green, Rector, St. John's, Ashfield.
 A. E. Johnson, Assistant, St. Anne's, Lowell.
 Thomas R. Lambert, D.D., Rector, St. John's, Charlestown.
 E. T. Hamel, Rector, Good Shepherd, Clinton.
 F. N. Luson, Missionary, Emmanuel, Wakefield.
 John C. Welwood, Rector, St. Peter's, Beverly.
 George W. Porter, D.D., Rector, Trinity, Wrentham.
 Francis Gilliat, Assistant, St. Anne's, Lowell.
 James M. Hillyar, Missionary, St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston.
 E. L. Drown, Rector, St. Paul's, Newburyport.

8. ELECTIONS OR APPOINTMENTS.

J. B. Richmond, Assistant, Grace, Medford.
 S. Snelling, Rector, Grace, Amherst.
 James B. Drysdale, Assistant, St. Paul's, Boston.
 J. A. Bevington, Assistant, St. Paul's, Boston.
 J. A. Ticknor, Missionary, St. John's, Williamstown.
 J. C. Hewlett, Missionary, St. Paul's, Gardner.
 A. H. Proffit, Rector, Christ Church, Sheffield, and Trinity, Van Deusen-
 ville.
 E. H. Mariett, Assistant, Ascension, Fall River.
 Jonas B. Clark, Chaplain City Institutions, South Boston.
 Charles F. Sweet, Rector, St. Thomas's, Methuen.
 Lawrence H. Schwab, Assistant, All Saints', Worcester.
 Joseph M. Turner, Assistant, St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
 J. A. Jerome, Missionary, Grace, Vineyard Haven.
 Charles W. Duffield, in charge, St. John's, Ashfield.
 H. W. Fay, Rector, St. Paul's, Nantucket.
 A. H. Amory, Rector, Grace, Lawrence.

William Lawrence, Professor, Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
 Montgomery H. Throop, jun., Assistant, Messiah, Boston.
 C. L. Wells, in charge, Trinity, Weymouth.
 Philo W. Sprague, Rector, St. John's, Charlestown.
 W. Burnett, officiating, St. Mark's, Southborough.
 E. S. Cross, Missionary, St. John's, Worcester.
 William J. W. Finlay, in charge, St. Peter's, Beverly.
 H. N. Cunningham, Rector, The Atonement, Westfield.

III. - CHURCHES.

1. CONSECRATED.

St. John the Evangelist, Hingham.	Ascension Memorial, Ipswich.
Emmanuel, Manchester.	St. Luke's, Linden.
Grace, Vineyard Haven.	

2. OPENED WITHOUT CONSECRATION.

Trinity, Cottage City.	Emmanuel Memorial, Shelb
St. Paul's, Newton Highlands.	Falls.

St. James's Parish House, Cambridge.	Emmanuel Parish House, Boston.
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3. IN BUILDING.

St. Paul's, Stockbridge.	Trinity, Concord.
Parish House, Malden.	St. Philip's, Mattapoisett.
Trinity, Bridgewater.	

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II.

II.—JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

1883.

- April 25.** St. Mark, 9 A.M.: Trinity Chapel, Boston; opened with prayers, and presided at the meeting for organization of the Ninety-third Annual Convention of the Diocese. 10 A.M.: Trinity Church; took part in the Opening Services of Convention, and celebrated the Holy Communion; after which, at the Chapel, presided at the meeting to complete the organization. 3 P.M.: Trinity Chapel; presided, and delivered my Tenth Annual Address.
- " **26.** A.M.: Trinity Church; Morning Prayer with the Convention. Later: Trinity Chapel; session of the Convention. 3 P.M.: final session, closing at 7 o'clock.
- " **27.** Hartford, Conn.; Committee of the Trustees of Trinity College. Also meeting of the Corporation of the College.
- " **29.** Fifth Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Grace, Newton; preached, confirmed 13, and addressed them. P.M.: St. Paul's, Newton Highlands; preached, confirmed 17, and addressed them. Evening: Messiah, Auburndale; preached, confirmed 9 (1 being from Newton), and addressed them.
- " **30.** Boston; Visitors of the Theological School.
- May** **2.** Boston; Committee from a religious society.
- " **3.** Ascension, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: meeting of the Society for the Suppression of Vice. Evening: Mission, Concord; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " **4.** A.M.: St. Mark's School, Southborough; Annual Meeting of the Trustees.
- " **6.** Sunday after Ascension, A.M.: Grace, Lawrence; preached, confirmed 21, and addressed them. P.M.: St. Paul's, North Andover; preached, confirmed 16, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Lawrence; preached, confirmed 19, and addressed them.
- " **7.** Boston; Executive Committee; Church Temperance Society.
- " **8.** Boston; meeting of the Directors of the Episcopal Clerical Fund.
- " **9.** Evening: Trinity, Weymouth; service and sermon; parish vacant.
- " **10.** P.M.: St. Andrew's, Hanover; preached, and confirmed 1.

- May** 13. Whit-Sunday, A.M.: Calvary, Danvers; preached and addressed them; catechised and addressed School. P.M.: St. Paul's, Peabody; confirmed. Evening: St. Paul's, Peabody; preached; confirmed and addressed them.
- " 16. Ember Day: Boston; Second Canonical Examination dates for the Diaconate.
- " 17. Evening: St. John's, Millville; preached, confirmed and addressed them.
- " 18. Ember Day, evening: Grace, Fiskdale, preached, confirmed and addressed them.
- " 20. Trinity Sunday, A.M.: St. John's, Wilkinsonville; Holy Communion; preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them. P.M.: Mission, Millbury; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them. Also took part in the Holy Communion of the same Church.
- " 21. Noon: Boston, met a Committee. P.M.: Executive Episcopal City Mission.
- " 22. A.M.: St. John's, Charlestown; confirmed 1 at the Annual Ordination to the Priesthood. Six Deacons ordered, the Rev. Edward Abbott being the presiding minister. Celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 26. P.M.: Emmanuel Memorial, Shelburne Falls; laid the foundation stone and made an address.
- " 27. First Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. James', Springfield; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them. Catechised the Sunday School. Evening: Emmanuel Memorial, Shelburne Falls, preached, confirmed and addressed them.
- " 28. Evening: St. John's, Ashfield; preached, confirmed and addressed them.
- " 30. A.M.: Holy Trinity, Middletown, Conn.; assisted in the Holy Communion office, and ordained 3 Candidates to the Ministry. Evening: Christ Church, Springfield; preached, confirmed and addressed them.
- " 31: A.M.: in the same Church confirmed 1. Later: at 1 P.M. (for Christ Church), confirmed 1 in extreme old age. Blandford; with the General Missionary visited town for investigation. "Trinity, Blandford," name and a praise," but is well-nigh forgotten. Ingleton, confirmed 1, presented by Mr. Beers, the General Missionary. Evening: The Atonement, Westfield; service, and preached. Parish vacant. Later: at 1 P.M. for consultation.
- June** 1. Evening: St. Paul's, Holyoke; preached, confirmed and addressed them.
- " 2. St. Philip's, Easthampton; preached, confirmed 17, and addressed them.
- " 3. Second Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. John's, Springfield; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them. Catechised the Sunday School. Evening: Grace, Amherst; preached, confirmed 1.
- " 5. A.M.: St. John the Evangelist, Hingham; Consecrated the ground, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 6. Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.

- June** 7. Evening: St. Anne's, South Lincoln; preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 8. P.M.: Trinity, Milford; preached. Evening: Christ Church, Medway; preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 10. 3d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Brockton; preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them. Evening: Trinity, Bridgewater; preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them. Later: confirmed 1 in private, for the same Church.
- " 11. St. Barnabas, P.M.: Good Shepherd, Wareham; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 12. Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; Annual Examinations.
- " 13. Emmanuel, Manchester; Consecrated the Church, and preached.
- " 15. A.M.: Grace, Vineyard Haven; Consecrated the Church, and preached; confirmed 4, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 17. 4th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Paul's, Nantucket; preached. Evening: preached.
- " 18. Evening: Messiah, Woods Holl; preached.
- " 20. A.M.: Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Board of Visitors; St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; Commencement of the Theological School; gave the diplomas to the Graduating Class, and made an address; Dr. Courtney preached; ordained two to the Diaconate; celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 21. A.M.: Ascension Memorial, Ipswich; Consecrated the Church, celebrating the Holy Communion; Bishop Clark kindly preached the sermon.
- " 24. 5th Sunday after Trinity, and St. John the Baptist, A.M.: Pequot Chapel, New London, Conn.; full service and sermon. P.M.: Evening service.
- " 27. A.M.: Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.; meeting of the Corporation. P.M.: Second session.
- " 28. P.M.: St. Anne's, Lowell; Funeral of the venerable and beloved Rector, Dr. Edson.
- July** 1. 6th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Nahant Chapel; full service and sermon.
- " 8. 7th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Sugar Hill, N.H.; full service and sermon.
- " 15. 8th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Sugar Hill, N.H.; assisted in the service, and preached.
- " 17. St. Paul's, Boston; took part in the Funeral Service for Mrs. Lucy Lee Chickering, of beloved memory.
- " 22. 9th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Sugar Hill, N.H.; assisted in the service, and preached.
- " 29. 10th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Sugar Hill, N.H.; assisted in the service, and preached.
- Aug.** 5. 11th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Sugar Hill, N.H.; early celebration of the Holy Communion.
- " 12. 12th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Sugar Hill, N.H.; full service and sermon.
- " 19. 13th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Forest Hills House, Franconia, N.H.; full service, and sermon.

- Aug. 25. 14th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Sugar Hill, N.H.; full service and sermon.
- Sept. 2. 15th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Sugar Hill, N.H.; full service and sermon.
- " 7. Boston: Committee of Vestry of St. Anne's, Lowell.
- " 8. Boston: Committee of Vestry of St. James's, Amesbury.
- " 9. 16th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; celebrated the Holy Communion. Later: full service and sermon. Noon: addressed the Sunday School. Evening: married a couple; Evening: service and sermon.
- " 12. Evening. St. George's, Lee, preached, and confirmed 3.
- " 13. P.M.: St. Paul's, Otis; preached, and confirmed 1. Evening Mission, South Lee; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 14. Evening: St. Paul's, Stockbridge (in Town Hall); preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 15. Evening; Trinity, Van Deusenville; preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 16. 17th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: St. James's, Great Barrington; preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them. Evening: Christ Church, Sheffield, preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 18. Boston: Committee on the Tenth Anniversary.
- " 19. Ember Day; Diocesan Commemoration of the Tenth Anniversary of my Consecration to the Episcopate. A.M.: St. Paul's, Boston, celebrated the Holy Communion, — the Bishops of Rhode Island and Central Pennsylvania assisting, — and delivered a Commemorative Address. Afterwards attended a "Breakfast" at Hotel Vendôme, with perhaps two hundred and fifty clerical and lay brethren; Bishop Howe saying Grace for us, and Bishop Clark most happily presiding. Later in the afternoon a General Reception was held at the Hotel, which many ladies and gentlemen from various parts of the Diocese favored with their presence. The day was one crowded with rare and unique pleasure, full of gratitude and happiness for me and my family. It was a most gracious and generous thought of the last Convention thus to hold in remembrance the completion of my first decade.
- " 20. A.M.: Good Shepherd, Wareham; Consecrated the Church, celebrated the Holy Communion, and preached.
- " 22. Evening: St. George's, Lee; preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 23. 18th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Trinity, Lenox; preached, and confirmed 1. I was gratified to find the Rector taking a well-earned vacation in Europe. Evening: St. Stephen's, Pittsfield; preached, confirmed 24, and addressed them.
- " 24. A.M.: Confirmed 1 in private for the same Parish. P.M.: St. Luke's, Lanesborough; preached. Evening: St. Mark's, Adams; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 25. P.M.: St. John's, Williamstown; preached. Later, in Greylock, confirmed 2 in private for St. John's, North Adams. Evening: St. John's, North Adams; preached, confirmed 17, and addressed them.
- " 27. Boston: united with many of the clergy in a "Welcome Break-

fast" to the Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D., just restored to us after a long absence in Europe and Asia.

- Sept.** 28. Boston, P.M.: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 30. 19th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Christ Church, Quincy; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them. Evening: St. Luke's, Linden; preached.
- Oct.** 3. A.M.: Christ Church, Philadelphia; opening Services of General Convention. After Service, brief meeting of the House of Bishops.
- " 4. A.M.: Holy Trinity Chapel, Philadelphia; House of Bishops. P.M.: House of Bishops.
- " 5. A.M.: Committee on Canons; Board of Missions in the Church of the Holy Trinity. P.M.: Board of Missions. Evening: Joint Committee on Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen.
- " 6. A.M.: Committee on Canons; Board of Missions.
- " 7. 20th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Church of the Atonement, Philadelphia; celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Christ Church Chapel; preached.
- " 8. A.M.: Holy Trinity Chapel; House of Bishops; Holy Trinity Church; Board of Missions. P.M.: Board of Missions. Evening: Church Temperance Society.
- " 9. A.M.: Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. Noon: Social re-union of the Two Houses. P.M.: House of Bishops. Evening: Church of the Epiphany; opening services of the General Conference of Sunday-School workers.
- " 10. A.M.: Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. P.M.: House of Bishops.
- " 11. A.M. Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. P.M.: House of Bishops. Evening: Holy Trinity Church; presided, and made an address at a meeting in behalf of the Divorce Reform Movement. The Rev. S. W. Dike presented the cause very ably.
- " 12. A.M.: House of Bishops. P.M.: House of Bishops. In the Church, the Board of Missions.
- " 13. A.M.: Committee on Canons; House of Bishops.
- " 14. 21st Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Christ Church Chapel; celebrated the Holy Communion, and preached. Evening: St. Luke's, Germantown; made a Missionary address.
15. A.M.: Holy Trinity Chapel; Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. P.M.: House of Bishops.
16. A.M.: Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. P.M.: House of Bishops. Later: Trinity College Alumni Meeting; made an address.
- " 17. A.M.: Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. P.M.: House of Bishops. Later: Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen.
- " 18. St. Luke, A.M.: Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. Noon: Committee on Notification of Bishops-Elect. P.M.: House of Bishops.
- " 19. A.M.: Committee on Canons; House of Bishops.
- " 20. A.M.: Grace Church, New York; in attendance at the Consecration of Dr. Henry C. Potter, as Assistant Bishop of New York.

- Oct. 21. 23d Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Church of the Messiah, Philadelphia; preached. P.M.: Christ Church Chapel; preached.
- " 22. A.M.: Holy Trinity Chapel, Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. P.M.: House of Bishops.
- " 23. A.M.: Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. P.M.: House of Bishops; Committee of Conference. Evening: House of Bishops.
- " 24. A.M.: Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. P.M.: House of Bishops. Evening: House of Bishops.
- " 25. A.M.: House of Bishops. Noon Committee of Conference. P.M.: House of Bishops. Evening: House of Bishops.
- " 26. A.M.: Committee on Canons; House of Bishops. Noon: Committee on Canons. P.M.: House of Bishops. Evening: House of Bishops. 9.30 P.M.: Church of the Holy Trinity; Closing Services of the General Convention with the Pastoral Letter. 11 P.M.: Holy Trinity Chapel; Final session of the House of Bishops.
- Nov. 1. All Saints': Boston; Annual Meeting of the Episcopal Church Association.
- " 2. P.M.: St. Mark's School, Southborough; Trustees' meeting.
- " 4. 24th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Ascension Memorial, Ipswich; celebrated the Holy Communion, preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them. Noon, Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. Michael's, Marblehead; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 5. P.M.: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; addressed the new students of the Episcopal Theological School, at their matriculation.
- " 7. P.M.: Trinity Chapel, Boston; presided at the meeting of the Trustees of the Church Home; and afterwards at the annual meeting of the Corporation; also made an address. Evening: Trinity Church, Boston; Presided and made an address at the Anniversary of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary; Bishop Tuttle preached.
- " 8. A.M.: St. Anne's, Lowell; at the commemoration service for the late beloved Rector, Dr. Edson, celebrated the Holy Communion; Dr. James A. Bolles preached the sermon.
- " 9. P.M.: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: St. James's, New Bedford; preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 10. P.M.: Christ Church, Swansea; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 11. 25th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Ascension, Fall River; preached, confirmed 15, and addressed them. P.M.: St. James's Mission; catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Later: preached. Evening: St. John's; preached, confirmed 16, and addressed them.
- " 15. Evening: St. Peter's, Brooklyn, N.Y.; assisted at the marriage of a near relative.
- " 18. 26th Sunday after Trinity: Mission, Lexington; preached, and confirmed 1. P.M.: Trinity Mission, Concord; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 19. Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School. Evening:

- Good Shepherd, Clinton; preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- Nov. 20.** Evening: Christ Church, Rochdale; preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- “ 21. Evening: Mission, Cherry Valley; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- “ 23. Boston; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- “ 25. 27th Sunday after Trinity, A.M.: Emmanuel, Wakefield; celebrated the Holy Communion. At a later service, preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them. P.M.: Catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. Paul's, Malden; preached, and confirmed 20; 11 being from St. Luke's Mission, Linden.
- “ 26. Evening: Trinity, Wrentham; preached.
- “ 27. Evening: Grace, North Attleborough; preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- Dec. 1.** P.M.: Boston; Trustees of St. Mary's for Sailors; also Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- “ 2. 1st Sunday in Advent, A.M.: All Saints', Dorchester; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, East Boston; preached, and confirmed 1.
- “ 3. P.M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the Church Temperance Society. Later: Committee from a Parish Vestry.
- “ 5. Evening: St. John the Evangelist's, Hingham; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- “ 9. 2d Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Wellesley College; Conference with the young ladies of our Communion; full service and sermon. P.M.: St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- “ 10. Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- “ 11. A.M.: St. James's, Roxbury; Southern Convocation; celebrated the Holy Communion; presided at the business meeting; presided at, and took part in, the meeting for discussion.
- “ 12. Evening: St. Peter's, Beverly; preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them. To my great regret, this was the farewell service of the Rector, about returning to Long Island.
- “ 14. A.M.: In the Unitarian House of Worship, Chelsea, kindly loaned as St. Luke's was under repair, I took part in the funeral services for our venerable Brother, the Rev. William S. Bartlet, late Registrar of the Diocese.
- “ 16. 3d Sunday in Advent, A.M.: Christ Church, Cambridge; confirmed 22; 1 being from St. Paul's, Boston, and 1 from Grace, South Boston; preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, and addressed the candidates. Evening: Advent, Boston; preached, confirmed 25, 1 being from the Messiah, Boston, and addressed them.
- “ 20. A.M.: Calvary, New York; took part in the Consecration of the Rev. William D. Walker, as Missionary Bishop of North Dakota. P.M.: Meeting of the Board of Appointment of the Bishop Paddock Lectures.
- “ 23. 4th Sunday in Advent, A.M.: St. Peter's, Salem; preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them. Evening: St. Mary's for Sailors, Boston; preached, and confirmed 1.

- Dec. 23. The Innocents, P.M.: Church Home, South Boston; preached to the children and friends.
- " 30. Sunday after Christmas, A.M.: Christ Church, Hyde Park; preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them. P.M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. John the Evangelist's, Boston; preached, confirmed 36, and addressed them. Afterwards briefly addressed the newly formed choir, in the Chapel.
- " 31. Boston; Board of Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School; Executive Committee of the Church Temperance Society.
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- Jan. 1. The Circumcision, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; admission of Katharine Edith Peirce, and Phoebe Greenleaf Beaumont as Professed Sisters in "The Community of the Holy Name," a Sisterhood this day inaugurated. The Rev. George J. Prescott (since chosen Chaplain) presented the Candidates. I preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: Horticultural Hall, Boston; presided, and made an address, at a "Children's Meeting" of the Church Temperance Society.
- " 6. The Epiphany and 1st Sunday after Christmas, A.M.: Trinity, Woburn; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. P.M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. Margaret's, Brighton; preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 9. P.M.: Chapel of St. Luke's Home, Boston; confirmed 1, and preached.
- " 13. 1st Sunday after the Epiphany, A.M.: St. Anne's, Dorchester; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them. P.M.: Mission, Watertown; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 14. Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 16. Evening: St. John's, Gloucester; preached, confirmed 20, and addressed them.
- " 20. 2d Sunday after the Epiphany, A.M.: St. Mary's, Dorchester; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them. Evening: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 21. Boston, Church Rooms; met with the Clergy in reference to the lamentable death of the Rev. C. A. Rand. P.M.: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 23. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; First meeting of the Bishop with Women interested in Work for Christ; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Grace, South Boston; preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 24. Evening: Good Shepherd, Dedham; preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.
- " 25. Boston; met Committee from a Parish.
- " 27. 3d Sunday after the Epiphany, A.M.: Ascension, Cambridge; preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them. P.M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; confirmed 1 in private, afterwards 16 in the Church; preached, and addressed them.

- Feb.** 1. Evening: St. James's, North Cambridge; preached, confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 3. 4th Sunday after the Epiphany, A.M.: Trinity, Melrose; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; preached, confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 4. A.M.: Boston, Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission. P.M.: Directors of the Episcopal Church Association.
- " 6. P.M.: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: St. Paul's, Dedham; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 9. Evening: House of Prayer, Lowell; preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 10. Septuagesima, A.M.: St. John's, Lowell; preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them. P.M.: All Saints', Chelmsford; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them. Evening: St. Anne's, Lowell; preached, confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 11. A.M.: Boston; Conference with the Examining Chaplains. P.M.: Annual Meeting New England Divorce Reform League.
- " 13. Evening: Grace, Salem; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 15. Evening: St. Luke's, Chelsea; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 17. Sexagesima, A.M.: St. John's, Arlington; preached, confirmed 14, and addressed them. Noon: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. P.M.: Epiphany Mission, Winchester; catechised and addressed the Sunday School; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 19. Evening: Trinity, Boston; Presided at, and addressed, a Missionary Meeting under the auspices of the Domestic Department of the Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. Archdeacon Kirkby preached.
- " 20. Noon: St. Paul's, Boston; Second meeting of the Bishop with Women interested in Work for Christ; sermon, and celebration of the Holy Communion. P.M.: St. Paul's Chapel; brief address at the Woman's Auxiliary. Evening: St. John's Mission, Worcester; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 21. Evening: All Saints', Worcester; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 22. P.M.: Tremont Temple, Boston; made an address at the Law and Order League Meeting. Evening: St. Matthew's, Worcester; preached, confirmed 17, and addressed them.
- " 23. P.M.: St. John's Mission, Worcester; met a Committee of the Mission for Conference and Examination of Sites.
- " 24. Quinquagesima, A.M.: Church of the Reconciliation, Webster; preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them. P.M.: Grace, Oxford; preached.
- " 26. Evening: St. James's, North Cambridge; opened the new St. James's House, and made an address.
- " 27. Ash-Wednesday, Evening: St. Matthew's, South Boston; preached, confirmed 31, and addressed them.
- March** 2. 1st Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. Thomas's, Somerville; preached,

- confirmed 15, and addressed them. Evening: Emmanuel, Somerville; preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- March** 5. Ember Day, Evening: St. Paul's, Brookline; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 7. Ember Day, Evening: St. Paul's, Natick; preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 8. P.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; Presided at, and addressed, a Children's Missionary Meeting. Archdeacon Kirkby made the principal address.
- " 9. 2d Sunday in Lent, A.M.: Ascension, Waltham; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them. P.M.: St. Mark's, Boston; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 12. Boston: "Entered and took possession" of certain buildings, as President of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 14. Evening: Evangelists, Boston; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 16. 3d Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; preached, confirmed 24 (1 being from St. John the Evangelist's, Boston), and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Messiah, Boston; preached, confirmed 19 (2 from St. John the Evangelist's, Boston), and addressed them. This afternoon, at my invitation, Bishop Howe of Central Pennsylvania confirmed 9 in the Church of Our Saviour, Longwood.
- " 17. Boston; Committee from a Mission.
- " 18. P.M.: Natick; took part in the Burial Office for a son of our beloved General Missionary.
- " 19. A.M.: St. Paul's, Boston; Third and final meeting of the Bishop with the Women interested in Work for Christ; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. John's, Charlestown; preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 21. Evening: Christ Church, Waltham; preached, confirmed 9 (1 being from Ascension, Waltham), and addressed them.
- " 23. 4th Sunday in Lent, A.M.; St. Peter's, Cambridge; preached, confirmed 17, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Boston Highlands; preached, confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 24. Boston; Committee from the Vestry of a Parish.
- " 25. Annunciation, A.M.: St. John the Evangelist's, Boston; Morning Prayer; celebrated the Holy Communion, and made an address as a farewell to Miss Mary Mails, about leaving for the Mission in Japan.
- " 26. Evening: Grace, Medford; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them. Two were from St. John the Evangelist's, Boston.
- " 28. P.M.: Boston; Committee from a Vestry. Evening: Emmanuel, Boston; preached, confirmed 17, and addressed them. Three were from St. Luke's, Chelsea.
- " 30. 5th Sunday in Lent, A.M.: St. James's, Roxbury; preached, confirmed 16, and addressed them. P.M.: Trinity, Boston; preached, confirmed 48, and addressed them.
- April** 2. P.M.: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 4. Evening: Christ Church, Plymouth; preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them.

- April** 6. Sunday before Easter, A.M.: St. John's, Taunton; preached, and confirmed 8, addressing them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Thomas's, Taunton; preached, confirmed 23, and addressed them.
- " 7. Monday before Easter, A.M.: St. Thomas's, Taunton; assisted. Evening: Grace, New Bedford; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 8. Tuesday before Easter, Evening: Christ Church, Andover; preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them.
- " 9. Wednesday before Easter, Evening: St. Thomas's, Methuen; preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 11. Good Friday, A.M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached. Evening: Trinity, Weymouth; confirmed 1 in private; confirmed 10, preached, and addressed them.
- " 13. Easter Day, A.M.: Christ Church, Boston; preached, confirmed 19, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion; addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. James's Chapel, West Somerville; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 20. 1st Sunday after Easter, A.M.: St. James's, Amesbury; preached; afterwards catechised and addressed the Sunday school. Evening: St. Paul's, Newburyport; preached, confirmed 5 (1 being from St. James's, Amesbury), and addressed them; conference with the Wardens; the Parish vacant.
- " 21. Noon: Boston; Executive Committee of the Church Temperance Society; Committee from St. Paul's Mission, Gardner.
- " 22. A.M.: Grace Church, New York City; Opening service of the House of Bishops; also meeting of the Bishops "in Council."
- " 23. Meeting of the Bishops "in Council;" two sessions.
- " 24. House of Bishops; two sessions.
- " 27. 2d Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Wellesley College Chapel; full service and sermon. P.M.: St. John's, Framingham; preached, and confirmed 2.
- " 28. A.M.: Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.
- " 29. A.M.: St. Luke's, Linden; Consecrated the new Church, my Brother, the Missionary Bishop of Washington Territory, preaching the sermon; confirmed 3, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- May** 1. St. Philip and St. James's, P.M.: Church of the Advent, Boston; confirmed 15 (1 being from Grace, South Boston, and 2 from St. Anne's, Dorchester), and addressed them.
- " 2. Evening: Athol; preached in the "Second Unitarian Church," — kindly loaned our little Church company; the Rev. Mr. Beers assisted.
- " 3. A.M.: In a private house at Ware, I preached, and confirmed 3; our General Missionary presenting them. Later, at Worcester, I visited the site just purchased by St. John's Mission, and was greatly pleased with it.
- " 4. 3d Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Christ Church, Fitchburg; preached, confirmed 11 (1 being from the Good Shepherd, Clinton), and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. Paul's Mission, Gardner; in the Methodist Church, kindly loaned us, I preached; and afterwards briefly addressed the members of the Mission.

- May 5. Evening: St. Mark's, Southborough; preached, confirmed 19 (11 being from the school), and addressed them.
- " 6. A.M.: Visited St. Mark's School, Southborough. P.M.: Christ Church, Medway; preached. Evening. Trinity, Milford; preached.
- " 7. Boston; St. Mark's School Trustees.
- " 8. Evening: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; confirmed 13 (1 being from Emmanuel, Somerville); I was physically unable to preach, or to make an address.
- " 10. Evening. St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill; confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 11. 4th Sunday after Easter, A.M.: Trinity, Haverhill; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them. The candidates were prepared through the good offices of the Rev. Mr. Wingate. Evening: St. James's, South Groveland; preached, confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 13. A.M.: Boston; Annual Meeting of the Episcopal Clerical Fund Association; Annual Meeting of the officers of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans, etc.; Annual Meeting of the Society. P.M.: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 14. A.M.: Trinity Church, Boston; Ninety-fourth Annual Meeting of the Diocesan Convention.

The REV. CHARLES H. LEAROLD, the Secretary of the Diocesan Board of Missions, presented the Annual Report of that Body; the Rev. JOHN S. BEERS reading that portion giving his Annual Report as General Missionary of the Diocese.

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR 1883-84.

The Treasurer's statement, accompanying this report, exhibits in detail the receipts and expenditure for the year. The total receipts for the year have been \$10,817.09, from the following sources:—

From Balance from the account of the preceding year	\$65 74
Parish offerings	8,738 48
Individual and special gifts	151 50
Special for Work of General Missionary	1,114 50
Eastburn-Morgan Fund	706 87
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society	38 00
Total receipts for the year	\$10,817 09

The total expenditure for the year has amounted to \$12,721.10 for the following purposes:—

For Payment of stipends to parishes and missions	\$10,170 91
Stipend and expense account of General Missionary	1,900 00
Publication and distribution of "The Diocese"	509 10

For Printing and stationery	\$20 85
Treasurer's expense account	114 59
Expense of Missionary Meeting	5 65

Total expenditure for the year . . . \$12,721 10

The expenditure has therefore been \$1,904.01 more than the receipts.

Forty-three parishes and missions have been aided during the year, as follows:—

Amesbury, St. James's; Arlington, St. John's; Ashfield, St. John's; Bridgewater, Trinity; Brighton, St. Margaret's; Brockton, St. Paul's; Cambridge, Ascension; Chelmsford, St. Anne's; Cherry Valley, St. Thomas's Mission; Clinton, Good Shepherd; Concord, Trinity Mission; Danvers, Calvary; Fall River, St. John's; Fall River, St. James's and St. Mark's Missions; Framingham, St. John's; Gardner, St. Paul's Mission; Gloucester, St. John's; Hingham, St. John the Evangelist; Lee, St. George's; Medway, Christ; Milford, Trinity; Millbury, Mission; Millville, St. John's; Nantucket, St. Paul's; Natick, St. Paul's; Newton, Messiah; North Attleborough, Grace; Otis, St. Paul's; Oxford, Grace; Peabody, St. Paul's; Plymouth, Christ; Rochdale, Christ; Sheffield, Christ; Shelburne Falls, Emmanuel Mission; Swansea, Christ; Van Deusenville, Trinity; Wakefield, Emmanuel; Westfield, Atonement; Wilkinsonville, St. John's; Williamstown, St. John's; Winchester, Mission of the Epiphany; Wrentham, Trinity.

One hundred and fifteen parishes and missions have contributed two hundred and twenty offerings to the treasury of the Board, and a total sum of \$8,738.48, as compared with 117 parishes, 210 offerings, and \$8,604.53, the previous year,—showing an increase of three in the number of contributing parishes, and of ten in the number of offerings, as compared with the previous year; being the largest number of offerings, of contributing parishes, and aggregate of offerings, in any year since the organization of the Board.

The following changes and vacancies in the parishes and missions aided by the Board have occurred during the year: —

Amesbury, St. James's, became vacant Oct. 16, 1883, by the resignation of Rev. A. W. Chapman. Regular services have since been maintained, and arrangements are now perfected for a permanent supply of the parish.

Ashfield, St. John's, became vacant Nov. 1, 1883, by the retirement of Rev. Lewis Green. Occasional but regular services have since been held by Rev. C. W. Duffield, in connection with his charge of Emmanuel Mission, Shelburne Falls.

Clinton, Good Shepherd, is vacant by the resignation of Rev. E. T. Hamel, on April 18, 1884.

Gardner, St. Paul's Mission. — Rev. J. C. Hewlett, the first settled missionary, entered upon his work July 15, 1883, and resigned Feb. 15, 1884. Services have since been regularly maintained, and permanent provision for the care of the Mission has now been made.

Nantucket, St. Paul's. — Rev. Levi Boyer resigned the rectorship of the parish Oct. 7, 1883. It remained vacant until Dec. 2, 1883, when Rev. H. Warren Fay assumed charge.

Sheffield, Christ. — Rev. F. W. Barnett resigned charge of the parish May 1, 1883, and was succeeded June 23, 1883, by Rev. Arthur H. Proffitt, — the parish being united with Trinity, Van Deusenville, in one cure.

Van Deusenville, Trinity. — The parish remained vacant, with occasional services, after the death — May 15, 1882 — of Rev. D. G. Anderson, rector of St. James's, Great Barrington; until June 23, 1883, when Rev. A. H. Proffitt assumed its charge in connection with Christ Church, Sheffield.

Wakefield, Emmanuel, is vacant by the resignation, April 1, 1884, of Rev. F. N. Luson.

Westfield, Atonement. — Rev. H. J. Sheridan resigned May 10, 1883, and was succeeded July 17, 1883, by Rev. G. E. Purucker. Mr. Purucker resigned March 1, 1884, and was succeeded May 1, 1884, by the present rector, Rev. H. N. Cunningham.

Wrentham, Trinity, is vacant by the resignation, Feb. 9, 1884, of Rev. Dr. G. W. Porter.

The report of the General Missionary to the Board exhibits his varied, widely extended, and faithful labor of the year. The work of careful and thorough exploration has been continued; an extended visitation among scattered Church people has been maintained; many services have been held, and offices of the Church performed; and much important work at various points has had his wise counsel, direction, and encouragement. His report, constituting a part of the report of the Board, is herewith presented.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MISSIONARY.

NATICK, May 12, 1884.

TO THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

My work during the past year has been somewhat different from that of the two years preceding, and from what I had planned. It was my hope, when my last report was made, that by this time the whole Diocese would have been explored, but that is not yet the case. I have visited many regions where I had not been before, including all the towns having more than four thousand population except Provincetown, and all but two or three of those having three thousand or more. The number of families and communicants found has not been large, though there have been some in nearly every town; and it is not probable that there are many in any one of the remaining towns or villages. But there are places, among those reached the last year, which are promising fields for our work when it can be undertaken there.

There have been two reasons why I have not completed the exploration: —

First, Necessary revisiting of places has occupied much of my time. It is my duty to be very careful, on the one hand, not to give undue hope for the establishment of permanent services, nor, on the other, to let our people feel that they are never to have them. There are nearly twenty places where Sunday services ought to be held as often, at least, as once a month, but to visit them once in five months would take nearly all my Sundays; and yet these places should not be wholly neglected.

Second, Collateral work, undertaken by the advice of the Bishop (and which seemed to be the most important and useful work that I could do at the time), has further limited my opportunity of visiting new fields. Of this character has been assistance in Amesbury, Westfield, St. John's Mission, Worcester, Vineyard Haven, Gardner, and Easthampton. . . .

The services which I have held during the past year number one hundred and eighteen, and I have celebrated the Holy Communion thirty times. I have baptized eleven adults and sixty infants. I have presented for Confir-

mation twenty-six persons, and have visited and instructed fifteen other candidates, who were afterwards confirmed. Most of these persons were first reported to me by persons working in the missions to which they belonged.

As nearly as can be estimated, I have travelled during the past year over fifteen thousand miles, and made more than one thousand calls.

The work which was mentioned in my last year's report, as having been begun in various places, is doing well. Shelburne Falls has its very beautiful stone Memorial Church in use and ready for the consecration, which is appointed for May 23d. Gardner, after some vicissitudes and disappointments, is reported as prosperous ; and the people are speaking of providing a place of worship this summer or fall. Concord has a lot, and is soon to have a stone church, the corner-stone of which is to be laid May 21st. The Church of the Good Shepherd, Wareham, — said to be the most beautiful public edifice in Plymouth County, — was consecrated last fall, and is occupied by a zealous and interested congregation.

I wish that results as great in new fields could be reported this year: but it has been absolutely necessary, in view of the present inadequate resources of the Board, to refrain from beginning work which it might not be possible to continue, and to avoid laying on its treasury new burdens. It is, however, my belief, that, whenever it can appoint, and partially sustain for a few years, missionaries in several places which I named last year, and in two or three others which could be mentioned, it may wisely and hopefully do so. There are a number of communicants in each of them; and they offer better promise of reward for courageous and persistent work than did, at their beginning, many of our strong parishes of to-day. Some of these places have had our services so many times that they have ceased to be regarded as a novelty; and yet I always find there large congregations (by which I mean from fifty or sixty to more than a hundred persons), and appeals are often made to me to give them services more frequently. And it is to be remembered, in this connection, that, while I can and do find in my explorations the past and present members or attendants of the Episcopal Church, I cannot find all those who would gladly become such, though I occasionally meet persons who express this desire; and I believe that they are very numerous throughout the Diocese, — a belief which the Confirmation lists of the parishes, showing as they do how many have been gathered in from this class, would probably justify.

It has often been a subject of regret with me, that the rule of almost entire self-sustentation must be applied in the case of certain missions where we have a considerable body of devout communicants who are almost exclusively of the laboring class, who have little, but do their "diligence gladly to give of that little," and where there are also a larger number of children who ought to be in a Church Sunday school. Some of the communicants in these places are not the most stanch and devoted, but others are earnest, religious persons; and all would be better if they had the help of the means of grace which we all need and prize. It is greatly to be desired, that, in the near future, this problem may be solved by a division of the expense of reaching and ministering to, regularly and frequently, such congregations, by means of a limited itinerancy, under which a clergyman may be appointed to the permanent pastoral care of our people in several of these villages. Money contributed to the Board for this purpose would be wisely spent, and productive of inestimable good. . . .

It will be gratifying to the Board to view the large amount of spontaneous

work which has been done the last year or two without burdening its treasury, and which has come to my notice. Omitting places where the services have been only occasional (and very likely others which have not come to my observation, or are not now in mind), the following is a striking list:—

Berkshire.—Sunday-evening services monthly, or oftener.

Cottage City.—Services during the summer. A beautiful church ready for consecration.

Linden.—A neat church consecrated. A good congregation and Sunday school. A resident minister.

Mattapoissett.—Sunday services in the summer. A lot given. A church ready for consecration.

Newton Highlands.—A church built. A good congregation and Sunday school. Regular services. A minister engaged.

Watertown.—Weekly Sunday-afternoon services. A Sunday school. Good congregation.

I have had no work to do in connection with the foregoing. I have helped to some extent in the following:—

Athol.—Monthly Sunday-afternoon services. Always well attended.

Barnstable.—Sunday-morning services in the summer. A fund commenced for a church.

Duxbury.—A lot purchased, and a small building to be remodelled, for a chapel. Sunday-morning services in the summer.

Easthampton.—Regular services. A lot secured at a cost of \$2,500. A zealous and self-denying congregation, and an excellent Sunday school.

Lexington.—A room fitted up for a chapel. Regular Sunday services and Sunday school. A clergyman engaged for next year.

Marion.—A lot ready to be conveyed to the Trustees of Donations. A building on it which is being neatly fitted up for a chapel. Sunday services in summer.

Mattapan.—Sunday-afternoon services well attended. A flourishing Sunday school. Full pastoral work. Hopes of a suitable church building.

Saugus.—A room fitted up for services. A Sunday school of over seventy scholars. Occasional church services.

South Framingham.—Monthly Sunday-afternoon services. Good attendance.

Vineyard Haven.—A lot given. Grace Church erected and consecrated. Regular services and Sunday school. A resident clergyman.

Wareham.—A good lot and beautiful church. An attached congregation and Sunday school. A clergyman to be secured soon, it is hoped.

Worcester.—St. John's Mission commenced. Over fifty communicants. More than one hundred Sunday-school scholars. The present place of worship, a hall, crowded. An eligible lot bought.

Of course, such a list, while encouraging, may be made to prove too much, and to indicate that the help of the Board is not needed; but I hope that it will not be taken in that way. Several of these undertakings would advance much more rapidly with some aid. Much of the work is the result of the Board's efforts to inspire missionary zeal, and of the knowledge gained through the reading of "The Diocese" (which is sent to nearly every known Church family in the State), of the endeavors which are being made to reach all our members, and to undertake work wherever it is possible. And, in most of these instances, the Board, while it has not granted a stipend, has assisted by

lending the aid of the General Missionary, whose work and counsel have been kindly appreciated and gratefully acknowledged.

The measure of success which has attended many of these efforts shows that in many places in the Diocese there are elements of promise which should not be disregarded; and that a want of faith now, if it lead to inaction, will prove a mistake which will by and by be sorely regretted. It is cruel from one point of view, and suicidal from another, to help to freeze, by our neglect and want of sympathy, those who find freezing influences enough about them when they propose to establish Church services. Few have any idea how numerous and potent these adverse influences are. Social considerations, business interests, counsels to avoid injuring and weakening other religious bodies by the establishment of the Episcopal Church in the community, the plea that the ground is already occupied, — these and other arguments are brought to bear from the outside upon those who are naturally fearful enough of failure; and surely we should give our brethren all the help and encouragement that we can. If we wait for our churches to be born full-grown in our large Massachusetts towns, we shall lose our members by the score and the hundred, as the years go by; but, if we plant the seed now, it will in time become the great tree.

Again I make acknowledgment of the kindness and hospitality which I have received, and for which I am deeply grateful. And I would that I could mention in detail the work of faithful people — men and women, ministers, lay-readers, Sunday-school workers — who have helped in many ways to carry on the work which has been briefly described. It is not too much to say, that, in many instances, the presence and help of some one worker, of whose efforts the Diocese may never know, has been, to human sight, vital to the success of the undertakings, and that because it has been faithful work, done for the glory of God.

Very respectfully,

JOHN S. BEERS, *General Missionary.*

As already shown by the Treasurer's summary, the expenditure for the year has been \$1,904.01 more than the receipts; and the Board appears before the Convention with this amount of debt.

The increase in expenditure, as compared with the preceding year, has been but \$457.26; and there has been no falling-off in the aggregate of parish offerings. The deficiency of resources for the year is due to the diminished receipts from individual and special gifts, which have been \$2,242.31 less than in the former year. Had this source of income been sustained during the year, there would be no present deficiency, and, consequently, no debt.

Individual and special gifts have always been, and will undoubtedly continue to be, an important source of income for the work of the Board: but it is plain that the much-needed increase of resources, for the assured and adequate support of the missionary work of the Diocese, must come from an *increase of parish offerings*; and it is the chief purpose of this Report, to impress this necessity upon the Convention.

The relation which the Board now holds to the missionary field of the Diocese, as the result of its ten years' work, is one of much interest, efficiency, and encouragement in all respects except that of its inadequate resources. The work has established for itself a certain recognition and support among the parishes of the Diocese, and the canonical provision for two offerings each year is very generally complied with. But the annual increase of re-

sources, as derived from parish offerings, has been exceedingly small, amounting this year to only about a thousand dollars more than in the year 1875-76; while, in the mean time, the growth of the Church has been considerable, the number of communicants having increased probably fully six thousand. Taking the aggregate of parish offerings year by year, and the total of communicants, the average per communicant of offerings for the work of the Board has steadily fallen from fifty cents in 1874-75 to a little over forty cents last year. There *ought* to have been a steady increase of offerings, correspondent, in some degree, to the increase in the number of communicants, and to the enlarged opportunities and demands of the work. But such has not been the case; and the Board finds itself to-day with new and inviting fields open before it, and efficiently equipped in all respects for the work, but restricted and embarrassed by lack of means.

It is no cause for discouragement, that the work of the Board is in advance of the resources available to carry it on.

Like all genuine work, it grows in the doing of it; and its success and promise are a constant stimulus. The whole inspiration of the work, as it is present to-day in the minds of your Board, cannot easily be stated in words. It may be confidently stated, that there has been no period in the ten years of its organization in which its claim has seemed more imperative.

The great results accomplished, the experience gained, the many and pressing opportunities to give direct efficiency to that which lies very near to the heart of the Diocese—the extension of the Church within its limits—are motives which now, more than ever before, animate and encourage to increased, energetic, and confident effort.

There can be no doubt that a considerable increase in the amount of annual offerings is *easily within the ability of the parishes of the Diocese*,—an increase that would fully meet the requirements of this work. In response to an appeal for the relief of sufferers by the recent floods at the West, the Bishop of Southern Ohio has acknowledged the receipt of \$3,447.55, contributed by seventy-one parishes and missions in this Diocese. This is nearly one-half of the entire amount of parish offerings contributed this year for our Diocesan missionary work; and the sums contributed by some of the parishes exceed the amount of their annual offerings for the Board,—showing that there is a reserve of ability and resources in the parishes.

There is reason to doubt whether a continuance of the system of parish pledges in Convention is advantageous. There is an evident reluctance on the part of the Clergy and the Lay Delegates to make pledges in advance, and a consequent caution that fixes the amount, in most cases, at a very moderate standard. The sum thus pledged is then generally regarded as the fixed limit of the obligation of the parish. In practice it is rarely exceeded, although it may be very small with reference to the ability of the parish.

The disadvantage of the system is, that it tends to establish a fixed and very moderate standard of support among the parishes, by a formal process which becomes somewhat mechanical in its repetition year by year. Being accepted by the parish as the measure of its ability and obligation, it may easily become an obstacle in the way of the growth and enlargement of the work.

If it were practicable to secure, on the part of the parishes, in advance, and in anticipation of being called upon in Convention for an annual pledge, such careful consideration of the work and needs of the Board, and their responsi-

bility for its support, as would make the pledge a fair expression of an intelligent interest and earnest purpose, we would secure the advantages of the system, and escape its disadvantages; and each year would doubtless bring a steady increase of offerings.

The Board hesitates to surrender a system that has been, and to some extent is undoubtedly still, of value. It is only because of its failure to increase the amount of offerings, and the apparent obstacle which, by its fixed and mechanical character, it seems to present to such increase, that the Board has deemed it expedient to recommend the discontinuance of the system for the ensuing year at least.

It is also recommended that Section 9 of the Missionary Canon be so changed that it shall provide for *three* Sunday offerings each year for the furtherance of the work of the Board, instead of two as at present.

On motion of the Rev. C. H. LEAROYD, —

Resolved, That the Report of the Board of Missions be accepted, and the first recommendation appended thereto be adopted.

On motion of the Rev. C. L. HUTCHINS, —

Resolved, That the second recommendation be referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

The Bishop announced as the Committee to prepare Resolutions expressive of the feelings of the Convention in relation to the retirement of its late Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Clinch, —

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT.

Mr. AMOS A. LAWRENCE.

(For the Report, see p. 97.)

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, it was —

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Organization of the Diocese be referred to a Committee to be appointed by the Chair.

The Bishop announced as this Committee, —

The Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER.

The Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.

FITCH EDWARD OLIVER, M.D.

The Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER, Registrar of the Diocese, presented his Annual Report, as follows:—

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

The office of Registrar in this Diocese was created by canon in 1858. The Rev. George M. Randall, D.D., held the office from its creation until 1865, when he was consecrated Bishop of Colorado. From that date it was filled by

the Rev. William S. Bartlet until his death, which occurred on Dec. 12th, 1883. On the 5th of February, of the present year, the undersigned was appointed to the office by the Standing Committee of the Diocese. The canonical duty of the Registrar is, in general terms, to procure all such journals, files, papers, reports, copies of charters and acts of incorporation of churches, and other documents, as may be of value in the history of this Diocese; and all this material is to be arranged, indexed, and otherwise put in such order that it may be accessible and useful.

As the Diocese had never provided a depository for its historical collections, on the death of the late Registrar, at the request of the Bishop, the Rev. John S. Beers proceeded to collect together the scattered material belonging to the Diocese, which was packed in nine separate boxes, and deposited in five or six different places. The Diocese is under great obligation to the Rev. Mr. Beers for this important service.

The first duty to which the present Registrar directed his attention was the examination and classification of the material now in the archives of the Diocese. On bringing it together, it was found to consist, in general terms, of a small number of manuscripts of the Right Rev. Edward Bass, D.D., the first Bishop of the Diocese; of manuscript records of all the official acts of the Right Rev. Alexander V. Griswold, D.D., for the thirty-two years of his Episcopate; two folio volumes in manuscript, containing a record of the proceedings of the Eastern Diocese, complete from its formation, May 29, 1810, to Sept. 28, 1842; a manuscript volume containing an account of the Easter Collections in the Eastern Diocese; four manuscript folios containing the proceedings of the Diocese of Massachusetts, in convention, from 1784 to 1866; one manuscript volume in folio, containing the proceedings of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts, from Jan. 5, 1820, to November, 1864; sixty-four packages of manuscript papers of the Standing Committees in this Diocese, being the annual accumulations from 1820 to 1883 inclusive; twelve manuscript historical sketches and records of parishes in this Diocese; fifty manuscript letters and other documents, of which twelve are letters of Bishop Bass, bearing date from 1769, when he was a missionary of the English "Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts," to 1803, the year of his death,—the remainder being mostly letters addressed to Bishop Bass by clergymen of that period, only six of them bearing date subsequent to his death in 1803.

Of printed matter there was found one complete set of the Journals of the Conventions of the Church in this Diocese from 1784 to 1883; beside this solitary set, there were several hundred Journals of various years, but of fifteen of these publications there were no duplicates; Journals of the Eastern Diocese, from 1831 to 1842 inclusive, and eleven Journals of the General Convention, the series being very incomplete; Journals of forty-two other Dioceses of the Church in the United States, varying from one to thirty each, but a complete set of none of them; a few charges and addresses of Bishop Eastburn and of Bishop Paddock, but a complete set in neither case; incomplete sets of the reports of the Episcopal Clerical Fund Association, the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, the Boston Episcopal Charitable Society, the Diocesan Parish Aid Society, the Church Reading-Room, the Massachusetts Episcopal Society for the Religious Instruction of the Freedmen, the Dakota League of Massachusetts, the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge, the Massachusetts Church Missionary Society, and the Church

Home for Orphan and Destitute Children. There were sixty-six historical discourses relating to Parishes in this Diocese, and twenty-six of a similar character relating to the Church outside of this Diocese. With a few other miscellaneous documents, this constitutes the collection which came into the possession of the present Registrar.

Within the last two months, the undersigned has made application for additional historical documents, and has received a small but valuable package of manuscript papers belonging to the late Bishop Parker, presented by Charles H. Parker, Esq., of Boston; an interesting and important collection of manuscript papers of the late Rev. William Clark, a missionary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, at Dedham and Stoughton in Colonial times, generously presented by Jeremiah Colburn, Esq., of Boston; sixty Journals of the Convention of this Diocese, presented by Mrs. James B. Dow of Boston, some of them of great value to the Diocese. Beside the above specially solicited, the Registrar has received a discourse and other proceedings on the occasion of the funeral of the late Rev. Theodore Edson, D.D., presented by Dr. John O. Green of Lowell. He has also received the papers of the Standing Committee from May, 1883, to May, 1884, forwarded by the Secretary, the Rev. George S. Converse.

The above is, in general terms, the historical material now belonging to the Diocese. It is obvious to see that this constitutes only the nucleus of a vastly larger and incomparably richer collection, which, in the words of the Canon, "may be of value in the history of this Diocese."

As there has been from the beginning no depository provided by the Diocese for these historical accumulations, my predecessors have apparently been receptive, but could not naturally be anxious to swell the volume of material already in their hands. But the time is come when we may properly take a new departure. It is now nearly a hundred years since the first convention of our Church was held in this Diocese, and close upon two hundred years since the first parish of the English Church was organized in the Colony of Massachusetts Bay. Through all this period our Church has been steadily lengthening her cords, and strengthening her stakes. She has been patiently and clearly moving on towards the maturity of her strength. Her history has never been written, and never can be properly written until the material out of which the narrative is to be woven has been brought together. The Trustees of the Episcopal Theological School have generously placed in the hands of the Registrar the exclusive use of a suitable room in their Library Building, with the reasonable probability that they will be able to spare it for a long period. The time is therefore now ripe, and the way is clear, for the enlargement and enrichment of our historical collection. If the Clergy and intelligent Laymen of the Diocese are careful and vigilant in securing and forwarding to the Registrar such material as may be easily accessible to them, in the progress of a few years our collection will become rich in rare and priceless historical material, and be an honor to this ancient and expanding Diocese. The additions which ought to be made to the invaluable material which we already possess naturally falls into the following classes:—

I. — *Manuscript Correspondence and Documents.*

A very important part of the history of the Church is to be found in the correspondence of the Bishops and more prominent Clergy and Laity. In this correspondence the spirit of the Church in each generation is embalmed.

The aims and purposes, the desires and aspirations, of her leading and active members are here more clearly visible than anywhere else. The few letters of the Clergy of the Colonial period now in the possession of the Diocese are not only historically valuable and interesting, but they disclose the zeal, energy, and self-consecration by which the scattered Clergy of that time were actuated and controlled. It is not extravagant to say that there are stored away in attics, and other receptacles of rubbish, large numbers of letters and documents which are not of any interest or value to their present possessors, but which, nevertheless, have a flavor of antiquity that has thus far restrained them from turning them over to the paper-mill, or committing them to the flames. These miscellaneous and scattered leaves of history are utterly useless where they are, but, when brought together into an orderly and related series of similar documents, they assume a new importance; they shed light where there was darkness before; they become living memorials of their authors, and tell, in a simple and natural way, the story of the Church's progress, its struggles, and its achievements. The proper place, therefore, for the correspondence of the distinguished Clergymen and Laymen of the Diocese, at least of the past generations, is in our collection, now in progress of formation, and which we may reasonably hope will soon be replete and rich in this class of historical papers.

II. — *Printed Historical Matter relating directly to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.*

This class includes all printed discourses by Clergymen of our Church in this Diocese, from the beginning down to the present time. Such sermons or addresses are of necessity directly or indirectly historical, whether they treat of the annals of a Parish, of the life and services of a useful member of the Church, an Ordination, the Consecration of a Church, or of any subject which called for their publication. Along the line of history, from the establishment of the first Parish in the Colony of Massachusetts, in 1636, there have arisen differences of opinion, on which statements and counter-statements have appeared in print, generally on important questions, all of which should be preserved in the archives of the Church. Within this class fall Pastoral Letters, whether by the Bishops, or by the Rectors to their parishioners; the reports of Societies, whether Parochial or Diocesan; sketches or histories of Parishes, in separate volumes or included in the local histories of towns or cities of the Commonwealth; the memoirs of Clergymen in this Diocese, and of Laymen who have borne an important part in the work of the Church.

III. — *The Published Works of Clergymen of this Diocese, to whatever Subjects they relate, and the Works of Distinguished Laymen on Ecclesiastical or Religious Questions.*

The publications of this class are indirectly historical, and show the extent and breadth of the activities of the Clergy, and the interest and influence of learned Laymen on religious subjects. The Christian literature of the Diocese presents an interesting and important element in its history.

IV. — *Historical Works relating to the Protestant Episcopal Church outside of the Diocese of Massachusetts.*

The history of the Church in this Diocese is so interwoven with that of other Dioceses, and of the Church in the United States of which it is a part,

that the history of the one cannot be wholly separated from that of the other. They interlock and touch at numberless points. This class includes all general histories of the Church, historical discourses, histories of Parishes, and the Journals both of the Conventions of other Dioceses, and of the General Conventions. Many of these Journals are already in the archives, but it is of the highest importance to complete the sets as far as possible. To the foregoing should be added complete sets of Church Almanacs, which often contain information that can be obtained nowhere else.

V. — The History of the non-Episcopal Churches and Religious Organizations within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Our Church having been planted in the midst of a Puritan community, in which opinions prevailed hostile to the English Church, in which there existed strong and even violent prejudices against Episcopacy and other doctrines and usages of our Ecclesiastical system, the history of our Church's growth in strength, numbers, and influence, the overcoming of the hostility and prejudice which continued through so many weary years, but now happily extinct or confined to very narrow limits, cannot be understood without a full and comprehensive knowledge of these religious organizations. Their histories, as displayed in the works of Gov. Bradford, Gov. Winthrop, Edward Johnson, and Cotton Mather, down to the recent writings of Dr. Joseph B. Felt and Dr. Henry M. Dexter, together with the historical discourses and occasional sermons which have emanated from these bodies, should constitute a part, and not an unimportant part, of our collections.

In these five classes will be found what, in the language of the Canon, "may be of value in the history of this Diocese," and, we may add, what is absolutely necessary and indispensable to a comprehensive and complete knowledge of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

The historical material included in any of these classes, obtained as gifts to the Diocese through the agency of the Clergy and Laymen of the Church, will henceforth be properly bound, indexed, and catalogued, and thus rendered accessible and useful.

EDMUND F. SLAFTER, *Registrar.*

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D.D., presented the following Report of the Committee on the Tenth Anniversary of the Bishop's Consecration.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CELEBRATION OF THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONSECRATION OF THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

At the last meeting of this Convention, the undersigned were appointed a Committee to make arrangements for the celebration of the tenth anniversary of the consecration of the Bishop of the Diocese. They respectfully report that they attended to the duty, and that the celebration took place on Wednesday, Sept. 19th, 1883.

In the morning of that day the Holy Communion was administered in St. Paul's Church, Boston, and an address was delivered by the Bishop.

The offertory on that occasion was, at the suggestion of the Bishop, devoted to the Fund for the erection of the proposed Episcopal House.

Later in the day a large number of the Clergy and laymen of the Diocese, and some invited guests from other places, — including the Bishops of Rhode Island and Central Pennsylvania, — partook of a Breakfast at Hotel Vendôme, when a congratulatory address was presented to the Bishop, on the part of the Diocese, by the Rev. W. R. Huntington, D.D., of Worcester, after which addresses were made by Bishop Paddock, Bishop Clarke, and others.

An interesting memorial, consisting of collections of photographs of the Churches, Chapels, and Clergy of the Diocese, was given to the Bishop.

The proceedings of the day closed with a public reception in the parlors of the Hotel, which was attended by a large number of Churchmen and others.

The Committees make grateful acknowledgment of the kindness of the Rev. Dr. Courtney, the vestry and choir of St Paul's Church, and the many other persons through whose aid the celebration was made successful.

The occasion was one of peculiar interest, and gave opportunity to testify the respect and affection felt by the Diocese for him whose zealous labors have already accomplished so much for the Church's welfare.

G. W. SHINN.
E. M. GUSHEE.
WILLIAM LAWRENCE.
A. J. C. SOWDON.
JNO. S. BLATCHFORD.
GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.

The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE presented the following Report on the Relation of the Church in Massachusetts to the Colored Population, which was accepted, and the Committee continued.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE RELATION OF THE CHURCH IN MASSACHUSETTS TO THE COLORED POPULATION.

The Committee appointed to consider the relation of the Church to the Colored Population respectfully report: —

That it would appear from their investigations, that the Church in Massachusetts can hardly be said to have entered into any relation with the colored population. This will appear from the following figures.

The colored population of the Diocese is, according to the last Census, 18,697: the chief centres being, Boston, 5,873; Cambridge, 1,504; Springfield, 770; Worcester, 763; Lynn, 364; Pittsfield, 329; Mashpee, 217; Newton, 212; and Salem, 208.

Your Committee addressed 93 letters of inquiry to the Rectors of the Churches in Boston, and in all places where the colored inhabitants exceed 20 in number. To these, 66 answers were received. In 34 parishes, colored people were unknown. In the remaining 32, it appeared that there are 132 communicants, 66 of whom are in Boston, the remaining 66 scattered throughout the Diocese; and 259 children in attendance at the Sunday schools, 173 being in Boston, and 86 in other parts of the State. The communicants appear to be drawn from about eighty-five families. The number of those attending the services of the Church, in addition to the communicants, is, as far as your Committee can ascertain, very small. It is probably rather in excess of the mark to say, that, including communicants, children, and occasional attend-

ants at the services, the Church ministers to about 450 individuals out of a population of 18,697.

Your Committee would place by the side of these figures those obtained from the various Religious bodies around. The societies organized distinctly among and for the colored population report as follows: Baptists, 1,228 communicants; African Methodist Episcopal, 716; African Methodist Episcopal Zion, 406; Methodist Episcopal, 49; Union Methodist, 8; giving a total of 2,407 communicant members in good standing. To this number may be added the attendants at Sunday school, the precise number of whom we have not been able to ascertain, but it is certainly not less than the above total; and also the colored persons who are members of those societies which include both white and colored. It is probably within the mark to say that the communicants and Sunday scholars number 5,000, the attendants at services being a much larger number; while those of our own Church are just 391!

In view of the fact that so small a number of the colored race have been reached by our Church, and also that there are not less than twelve thousand of them in the Diocese not attached to any Church or Religious Society at all, the standard of life and morals among them where they are gathered together in considerable numbers being notoriously low, your Committee are of opinion that some greater efforts ought to be made to win them to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to membership in His Church.

In regard to the nature of the effort to be made, your Committee are not prepared to offer any recommendations.

It would seem, however, that, in the few places where large numbers of colored people are found, some attempt might be made to reach them as a class. The colored people themselves are, as a rule, not averse to this; and it is in this method of work that the strength of the Societies around us has been found to lie.

Many colored persons of earnest life have expressed a desire that the Church would put forth her hand and do something on their behalf. They feel that the Church with her fixed standards of doctrine, and orderly and reverent services, and with her rule of discipline, can give them that which they cannot obtain elsewhere: there is in the Church a sense of rest, stability, and permanence, which others do not possess. Even those who have ministered among the Religious bodies of which we have spoken, and who are for the most part taken from their own number, acknowledge that their power of holding their members together, and sustaining them in Christian life, is but small, the losses year by year being very large.

Where our Church has opened her doors and made the colored people welcome, they have gladly come, and found the ministrations of the Church suited to their needs. In evidence of this we may note that one free church in Boston reports thirty-two communicants and over sixty Sunday scholars out of the above given totals. Three others in the Diocese have ten each, and one in Cambridge fourteen; so that more than one-half of the whole number of communicants are found in five parishes.

Some five years ago, a Sunday school with simple instructions on Sunday and Thursday evenings also, intended for colored children, adults however being admitted, was opened and conducted by some laymen connected with the Parish of the Advent in Boston. More than sixty persons placed themselves on its books; and the work was carried on successfully for two years and a half, with marked results. When it was deemed expedient to close the

school; the expressions of regret on the part of those who attended were deep and unfeigned.

Your Committee have learned that another School of a similar character has been recently opened in the West End of the city; and they will watch its progress with interest.

They desire also to obtain information as to work that has been done among the colored people in other Dioceses in the Northern section of our country.

That they may do this, they respectfully request that they may be continued in office, with permission to report at the next meeting of the Diocesan Convention.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD W. OSBORNE.

CHAS. H. LEAROYD.

WM. WILBERFORCE NEWTON.

H. W. NELSON.

CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

Boston, May 14, 1884.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D.D., presented the following Report on a Diocesan House in the city of Boston, which was accepted, and the resolutions appended thereto were adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SECURING A FUND FOR A DIOCESAN HOUSE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

The Committee appointed to secure a Fund for a Diocesan House in the city of Boston, for the various uses to which the Episcopal Rooms are now put, and for other purposes, respectfully report that they held a meeting shortly after the close of the last session of the Convention, and gave careful consideration to the business intrusted to them.

While fully recognizing the great value of such a House in carrying forward the work of the Church, and providing a place for the numerous meetings of Committees, Societies, and other Church organizations; and while believing that at some time such a House must be provided, — the Committee did not feel authorized to make the attempt to secure the fund needed for the purpose. In their judgment, it would be an exceedingly difficult task now, considering the numerous undertakings in which the Church is engaged, to secure in *small* amounts the \$25,000 to \$50,000 which would be required.

If individuals could be found (and there may be such) who would start the subscription-list with good, round sums, the project would be encouraging.

It may possibly be the case, that one or more individuals possessed of wealth, and looking about for some opportunity for devoting a portion of it to some especially useful purpose, will be moved to consider favorably this proposal for establishing here this Episcopal House.

It would be a noble use of money; and the Diocese would be greatly helped by the possession of a building which would become a headquarters for the various activities of the Church, and for new efforts which would then become possible.

The Committee believe it is highly important to continue to rent the present Church Rooms in Hamilton Place until a permanent building can be secured,

and that this whole matter of an Episcopal House may very properly be committed to the Episcopal Church Association. They therefore beg to submit the following Resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Convention be, and is hereby, authorized to pay to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Church Association the sum of four hundred dollars, in consideration of the use made of the Episcopal Rooms, in Hamilton Place, by the Committees and organizations created under the authority of this Convention, or recognized by it.

2. *Resolved*, That this Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the matter of an Episcopal House, and that it be committed to the Episcopal Church Association to take such steps as in their judgment may attain the object desired.

F. C. FOSTER.
G. W. SHINN.
F. COURTNEY.
R. T. PAINE, JUN.

The Rev. ARTHUR W. BACKUS, from the Southern Convocation, made the following Report:—

SOUTHERN CONVOCATION.

The Secretary of the Southern Convocation respectfully reports as follows:—

Four meetings have been held during the year,—at Taunton, June 11; Jamaica Plain, Sept. 25; St. James's, Roxbury, Dec. 11; and at Brockton, April 29.

The attendance and interest have been helpful and invigorating, and the subjects presented comprehensive and suggestive.

At the annual meeting the following officers were elected:—

Dean, the Rev. Charles H. Learoyd; *Secretary and Treasurer*, the Rev. Arthur M. Backus; *Members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation*, *Clerical*, the Rev. Reginald H. Howe, *Lay*, Mr. Henry S. Chase.

ARTHUR M. BACKUS, *Secretary*.

DEDHAM, May 13, 1884.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., from the Trustees of Donations, made the following Report:—

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

To the Ninety-fourth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held at Boston, May 14, 1884.

The amount of the Bishop's Fund reported to the last Convention

was	\$93,236 33
Since then we have received from subscriptions	174 17
And from income invested	137 90
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	\$93,548 40
From which has been deducted a loss on an old investment, made by a former treasurer	898 30
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Leaving the present amount of the Fund	\$92,650 10

The above loss is more than counterbalanced by gains received from sale of other investments, in previous years.

The Bishop's Salary has been paid in full.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

List of Churches, Rectories, etc., the title to which is held by the Trustees of Donations:—

Arlington, St. John's Church.	Millville, St. John's Church.
Boston, Bishop's House.	Nantucket, St. Paul's Rectory.
Boston, St. Paul's Church.	Natick, St. Paul's Church.
Boston (Dor.), All Saints' Church.	North Andover, St. Paul's Church.
Cambridge, Free Church of St. James.	North Attleborough, Grace Church.
Chelmsford, St. Anne's.	Oakdale, Church of the Good Shepherd.
Chelsea, St. Luke's.	Oxford, Grace Church, and other buildings.
Clinton, Church of the Good Shepherd.	Peabody, St. Paul's Mission.
Danvers, Calvary.	Somerville, Mission Chapel of St. James.
Duxbury, Mission.	Southborough, St. Mark's Church.
Fall River, St. John's.	South Groveland, St. James's Church.
Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist.	Stockbridge, St. Paul's Memorial Church.
Hingham, St. John the Evangelist.	Vineyard Haven, Church.
Holliston (Land for a Church).	Wakefield, Emmanuel Church.
Hyde Park, Christ Church.	Waltham, Ascension Church.
Ipswich, Ascension.	Wareham, Church.
Lawrence, St. John's.	Westfield, Atonement.
Lincoln, St. Anne's.	Woburn, Trinity.
Lowell, St. Anne's (the Trustees only hold a contingent interest).	Wood's Holl, Messiah (Church and Rectory).
Lowell, St. John's.	Wrentham, Trinity.
Lynn, St. Stephen's.	
Marblehead, St. Michael's Church and Rectory.	
Medford, Grace Church and Rectory.	

List of Officers of the Trustees of Donations:—

President, GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.

Secretary, JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

Treasurer, WILLIAM P. BLAKE.

Managers, ROBERT TRENT PAINE, JUN., E. H. BENNETT, GEORGE H. RICHARDS, ROBERT CODMAN, WILLIAM S. GARDNER, HOWARD STOCKTON.

<i>Trustees.</i>	<i>When elected.</i>	<i>Trustees.</i>	<i>When elected.</i>
Farley, Robert	1836	Shelton, P. S.	1838
Winthrop, R. C.	1836	Shattuck, G. C.	1840
Fay, Jos. S. (date not ascertained).		Amory, T. C.	1842
Amory, J. S.	1838	Ellicott, J. P.	1842
Burroughs, Henry	1838	Foster, F. C.	1842
Clark, J. W.	1838	Lyman, G. H.	1842
Clark, T. M.	1838	Matthews, Nathan	1842
Lawrence, Amos A. . . .	1838	Morgan, J. S.	1842
Parker, Charles Henry . .	1838	Ritchie, Harrison	1842

<i>Trustees.</i>	<i>When Elected.</i>	<i>Trustees.</i>	<i>When Elected.</i>
Blake, W. P.	1869	Codman, C. R.	1882
Amory, Robert	1871	Gardner, W. S.	1882
Cushing, R. M.	1871	Batchelder, Samuel	1884
Paine, R. T., jun.	1871	Beebe, E. Pierson	1884
Perkins, E. N.	1871	Burnett, Joseph	1884
Sullivan, Richard	1871	Dana, R. H.	1884
Tarbell, J. P.	1871	Davis, E. L.	1884
Bennett, E. H.	1875	Eliot, Samuel	1884
Blatchford, J. S.	1875	Fay, J. S.	1884
Hill, C. H.	1875	Joy, C. H.	1884
Huntington, W. R.	1875	Lovering, W. C.	1884
Lawrence, Arthur	1875	Morrill, C. J.	1884
Richards, G. H.	1875	Parker, F. J.	1884
Ropes, J. C.	1875	Sears, J. M.	1884
Train, C. R.	1875	Sowdon, A. J. C.	1884
Winthrop, R. C., jun.	1875	Stockton, Howard	1884

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., for the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, made the following Report: —

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE INCREASE OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

The Treasurer of the Trustees of Donations reports the fund at less than ninety-three thousand dollars, whereas it ought to be one hundred and ten thousand dollars. Many parishes still decline either paying their assigned portion in cash, or giving a note, and still make annual contributions. Most of these need to be reminded of their obligations every year, showing the desirableness of a more positive recognition of their duty. However, your Committee thankfully receive whatever is offered, and in whatever way. They are sorry to be obliged to report delinquent parishes, and some who disregard the action of Conventions, and do nothing. The Bishop has been assured of a competent support; and we appeal to every parish to do its part, that the promise of the Convention may be redeemed, and the Bishop be exempt from the anxiety and disturbance attendant upon an insufficient or irregular income. The attention of the Church is now being called to the insufficient stipends of the clergy, and to the loss and inconvenience to the Church thus resulting. Your Committee is alive to the importance of the work which has been intrusted to it, and regret that they cannot report a completed work after a service of twenty years. They have satisfactory evidence, in the receipt of generous contributions from mission Churches, that what has been said by them is not entirely unheeded. Offerings involving self-denial are highly appreciated, and more of them are very desirable.

Resolved, That this Convention must express its sense of the great importance of the fund being raised to the full amount of one hundred and ten thousand dollars, and begs delinquent parishes to suffer a word of exhortation, and hereafter to remember their Bishop, and to send promptly and regularly

their assigned contributions, in case it is really impossible to pay at once their assigned quota at one payment.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.
CHARLES O. WHITMORE.
J. P. ELLICOTT.
THOMAS C. AMORY, JUN.
RUSSELL STURGIS, JUN.

TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS: LIST OF DELINQUENT PARISHES, MAY 14, 1884.

The following Parishes (thirteen) have contributed nothing to the Bishop's Fund. —

Adams, St. Mark's Church.	Natick, St. Paul's.
Amherst, Grace.	Otis, St. Paul's.
Brighton, St. Margaret's.	Oxford, Grace.
Danvers, Calvary.	Plymouth, Christ.
Fiskdale, Grace.	Rochdale, Christ.
Lincoln, St. Anne's.	South Groveland, St. James's.
Nantucket, St. Paul's.	

The following Parishes (seventeen) are also notably delinquent. —

	Total am't paid.
Ashfield, St. John's	\$19 25
Boston, Christ	63 00
(This Parish owes, on its written pledge, \$402.)	
Boston, St. Mark's	30 00
Cambridge, St. Peter's (nothing paid since 1874)	90 00
Chelsea, St. Luke's	100 00
Gloucester, St. John's	5 00
Great Barrington, St. James's	95 25
Lee, St. George's	11 50
Medway, Christ	3 50
Milford, Trinity (nothing paid since 1879)	105 00
Northampton, St. John's (nothing paid since 1873)	29 00
Taunton, St. John's (nothing paid since 1881)	65 00
Van Deusenville, Trinity	24 00
Westfield, Atonement.	3 00
Weymouth, Trinity	27 13
Wrentham, Trinity	5 00

(Some of the above Parishes are very poor.)

The following Parishes, giving notes, are delinquent in payment of interest:

	Am't now due.
East Boston, St. John's, 8 years' interest due	\$84 00
Amesbury, St. James's, 6 " " " "	52 50
Woburn, Trinity 5 " " " "	105 00

Three other Parishes owe one year's interest: Boston Highlands, St. John's; North Attleborough, Grace; Lawrence, St. John's, — which will probably be paid.

The Report was accepted, and the Resolution appended was adopted.

Mr. ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON, from the Episcopal Church Association, presented the following Report:—

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ASSOCIATION.

During the past year, about two hundred meetings of various Societies, Committees, and Church Organizations have been held at the Rooms.

Ninety-seven clergymen not of this Diocese, and representing all sections of the Country, have entered their names on the register. During the six months commencing with November, 1883, meetings of the Clergy have been held every Monday forenoon at the Rooms. At each meeting an essay has been read, and the subject of the essay has afterward been discussed. The average attendance has been twenty-six. The Committee in charge of these meetings are: the Rev. Dean Gray, the Rev. W. C. Winslow, and the Rev. C. L. Short, Secretary. That the Clergy have appreciated the advantages afforded by the Rooms, is sufficiently attested by the following Resolution, which was passed at the last meeting:—

“Resolved, That the Secretary convey to the Episcopal Church Association the thanks of this Association, for its kindness in granting the use of these rooms.”

At a special meeting, held in February last, the following vote was passed, and entered upon the records:—

“Resolved, That we have heard, with great sorrow, of the death of our former friend, associate, and faithful clerk, George Dexter, Esq., of Cambridge; and we take this occasion to record our sense of the value of his services, his deep interest in all the work of the Church, and our profound sympathy with his afflicted family.”

The Treasurer would again respectfully remind the Convention of the importance of making the usual appropriation of four hundred dollars for this Association.

The present method of raising funds, by the collection of annual subscriptions from a large number of individuals, seems wrong in principle. What is needed is a permanent fund, whose income shall be devoted to the use of the Church Rooms.

At the Annual Meeting, held Nov. 1, 1883, the following officers were elected:—

Honorary President.—The Right Rev. BISHOP of the Diocese.

President.—A. J. C. SOWDON.

Vice-Presidents.—JOSEPH S. FAY, Dr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.

Directors.—JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, CHARLES W. DEXTER, WILLIAM C. LOVING, ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN., EDWARD N. PERKINS, CHARLES G. SAUNDERS, HOWARD STOCKTON.

Clerk.—HENRY M. UPHAM.

Treasurer.—ROBERT M. LAWRENCE.

Superintendent.—Miss CECILIA SAINT CLAIR ELTON.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board of Directors.

ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, May 12, 1884.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., from the Trustees of the

Massachusetts Church-Building Fund, presented the following Report:—

MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

The Trustees of the Massachusetts Church Building Fund report that, as additions have been made during the past year, to the principal of the Fund, amounting to \$1,017.56.

HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.,
J. S. BLATCHFORD,
G. C. SHATTUCK.

Boston, May 14, 1884.

The Rev. WM. HENRY BROOKS, S.T.D., Secretary of the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, presented the following Report:—

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF
THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN
OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The Society, near the completion of the forty-fourth year (organized June 17, 1840) of its needed and useful existence, in conformity with the requirement of its By-Laws, presents to the Diocesan Convention its report for the year 1883-84.

During the year one Annuity member has been added; one Annuity member has withdrawn, his contract with the Society being cancelled by the refunding to him of the amount to his credit, with simple interest from dates of payment; three Annuity members have died. Of these three, taken from the labors of earth to the enjoyment of the rest in Paradise, the venerable senior Presbyter of the Diocese, the Rev. Theodore Edson, D.D., was the first to depart hence, finishing his course on the twenty-fifth day of June, 1883, in the ninetieth year of his age, and the sixtieth year of his pastoral labors, so single-hearted, self-sacrificing, and abundant. In length of membership, he stood first on the present roll, having united with the Society in 1840.

The next to depart was the Rev. William Stoodley Bartlet, who was taken out of this world on the twelfth day of December, 1883, at the age of seventy-four years, after a ministry of more than forty-four years.

Having become a member of the Society in 1847, he stood third in the order of time on the present roll of its members.

From 1848 to 1866 he served as one of its Trustees; and from 1866 to the time of his death was its second Vice-President.

His interest in the objects and welfare of the Society was deep and uninterrupted; his last special work in its behalf was his proposal to obtain, and the procuring in connection with two others of the Society, from the Legislature of the Commonwealth, authority to hold an *additional* one hundred thousand dollars' worth of property.

Premonished by pain and debility, he knew that shortly he must put off his tabernacle, and, accordingly, set his affairs in order; and in faith and patience waited all the days of his appointed time, till his change came.

The last to go hence, and be no more seen amongst us, was the Rev. Charles Arthur Rand, who, in the appalling shipwreck of the "City of Colum-

bua," on the eighteenth day of January, 1884, "as near to Heaven by sea as by land," passed the waves of this troublesome world, and came to the land of everlasting life. In the sudden surprise and immediate danger of that disaster, the want of the usual opportunity for the trimming of his lamp was previously supplied by the mercy of God, whose grace had enabled him to live a life of singular sanctity and usefulness, and to serve, for more than fifteen years, in the sacred ministry of the Church, with conscientious fidelity and burning zeal. In the case of his family, the Society was debarred from carrying out its beneficent object of providing an annuity for them, in return for sums of money contributed by him, by the painful and pathetic fact that his wife and only child in death were not divided from him; the three together "winging their viewless flight to Paradise, — the spiritual Eden."

These spectacles of mortality among the ministers of our Diocese should make us deeply sensible of the importance of the work of this Society, awakening the Clergy to make provision for their wives and children, when they become widows and orphans; and the Laity, by payments for membership, annual and for life, by gifts, bequests, devises, and offerings, to provide means for the relief of the widows and orphans of clergymen who have not had it in their power to make contributions in behalf of their families.

The present market value of the Annuity Fund is \$65,003.98.

The cash value of the annuities of the contributing Clerical members is about \$35,500; leaving a surplus, over all liabilities, of \$29,503.98.

New investments from cash for the year, \$2,868.29.

For the year the income of this Fund was \$3,482.06; of which \$3,126.56 was from investments, and \$355.50 from annual subscriptions.

The sum of \$525 has been paid to the families of deceased clergymen.

The present market value of the Charity Fund is \$37,818.75.

New investments from cash, \$1,020.13.

For the year the income of this Fund was \$2,311.86; of which \$2,013 came from investments, \$268.86 from contributions, and \$30 from payments of members.

During the year the sum of \$1,960 from the income of this Fund has been distributed among families of deceased clergymen.

The total amount of the market value of the Annuity and Charity Funds is \$102,822.73, being \$5,407.25 above their par value.

The par value of these Funds is higher than that of last year, as all our investments for the current year were made in securities bought below par, with money received from bonds matured; and, also, from additional increase of investment with part of the income.

Our Funds are well and profitably invested, the income being at the rate of five per cent on the market value.

Through the nursing care and protection of those who have diligently and successfully cared for its financial affairs, the Society has reached a condition of much strength and prosperity, — a great contrast to that of its early years. "Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase."

When it is remembered how few have taken part in bringing about this state of affairs, we may well thank God and take courage; and also ask the members of the Diocese generally, the Laity in particular, to unite with us in our work, that we may greatly increase our ability to give "those things which are needful to the body" to those "fatherless and widows in their affliction," for whose relief the Society was instituted.

May God pour into our hearts such love towards Him, that we shall be merciful, for Christ's sake, to these poor and needy people, destitute of help! Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Society.

WM. HENRY BROOKS, *Secretary*.

Boston, May 13, A.D. 1884.

The Rev. WM. HENRY BROOKS, S.T.D., from the Episcopal Clerical Fund, made the following Annual Report of that Society:—

EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND.

"The Episcopal Clerical Fund" Association of the Diocese presents the following Report of its doings for the past year:—

The Society had on its books, at the beginning of the Conventional year, six beneficiaries, three of whom have received assistance for the whole period to the present time. One has so far recovered his health as to be enabled still to work in the Lord's vineyard, and has withdrawn his name from the list; and two "have fallen asleep."

A committee was appointed at the last Annual Meeting for the purpose of endeavoring to increase the membership of the Society. This Committee made a partial report at an adjourned meeting held on the 8th of May last year, and is still prosecuting its labors.

It is to be hoped that this matter may be vigorously carried out, and that the Society may be placed on a more secure footing, and be enabled to deal generously with our brethren who, from age or infirmity, are unable to help themselves. This appears to be the more necessary from the fact that the Parishes in the Diocese, with a few noble exceptions, seem to meet the claim of this most deserving charity with a degree of indifference which is amazing and unaccountable.

The Treasurer's account for the year shows the following items:—

Balance on hand at the beginning of the year	\$364	5
Interest on invested funds	1,224	41
Parochial contributions	796	86
Donations	58	00
7 Life memberships (\$50 each)	350	00
Legacy of Mrs. Emmeline Babcock, widow of the late Rev. Samuel B. Babcock, D.D.	3,000	00
Total	\$5,995	32
The invested funds amount to	26,350	00
The outlay for the year has been	1,370	00

The death of the two beneficiaries noted above has caused a smaller expenditure than usual; but we must be prepared to meet new applications for relief, which, in the nature of things, will be constantly coming up. We cannot expect that our income, however generously it may flow into the Treasury, will ever be greatly in advance of our necessary expenses. The Diocese is growing rapidly, and our Society ought at least to keep pace with our growth.

JOSEPH H. OLINCH, *Secretary*.

The Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL presented the following Report from the Massachusetts Church Missionary Society : —

REPORT OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This Society has not been engaged during the year in direct missionary work, but has contributed to the Diocesan Board of Missions the interest of trust funds which they hold, and has authorized the Trustees of Donations to transmit to the same Board the net income of the fund bequeathed by Bishop Eastburn, for the year ending May, 1884, and for the ensuing year ending May, 1885.

The following officers for the year have been elected : —

President. — JAMES S. AMORY, Esq.

Vice-President. — MARTIN L. BRADFORD, Esq.

Secretary. — Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.

Treasurer. — STEPHEN G. DEBLOIS, Esq.

Executive Committee. — The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL, Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, RUSSELL STURGIS, JUN., Esq., CHARLES W. DEXTER, Esq.

T. F. FALES, *Secretary.*

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW presented the following Report from the Free Church Association : —

REPORT OF THE FREE CHURCH ASSOCIATION (MASSACHUSETTS BRANCH).

The Executive Committee of the Free Church Association (Massachusetts Branch) respectfully presents its second annual report to the Convention : —

The work of the Association continues to indicate substantial progress in the growth of opinion favorable to its objects, and in statistical evidence. Its mission, both to meet inquiries and to educate the people in the objects of a Free Church, the methods to pursue, and the expected results, has been abundantly showed.

Bishop Welles of Wisconsin delivered the Annual Sermon before the Association at St. Mark's Church, Boston, on Nov. 4, 1883. His subject, "The House of God a Home for All," was very ably treated.

The Annual Meeting, held at the Church Rooms on Nov. 5, 1883, was largely attended. The Nominating Committee, the Rev. J. F. Spalding, the Rev. John T. Magrath, Mr. Grant Walker, reported the following list of officers, who were elected for the ensuing year : —

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

President. — GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

Vice-President. — The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT.

Secretary. — The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, 429 Beacon Street, Boston.

Treasurer. — I. WELLS CLARKE, 13 Exchange Street, Boston.

Directors. — JOSEPH BURNETT, the Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE, J. D. W. FRENCH, A. J. C. SOWDON, the Rev. SUMNER U. SHARMAN.

Correspondence has been carried on with the Free and Open Church Association of London, that of Philadelphia, and with individuals and parishes far and wide, — all of which, with the documents received, indicates the increasing prevalence of the free system. The parent association has a list of forty Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church who are patrons of the Association, and states that more than two-thirds of the churches in the land are free.

Over a hundred of the Clergy of the Diocese are members of the Association, and a majority of the places of worship are free. Among the churches made free is Christ Church, Hyde Park; and it is gratifying to note that a number of pewed churches now provide an increased number of free sittings. At Grace Church, Newton, the seats are free at evening prayer; at St. Paul's, Boston, a large number of free evening services have been held, and the church is daily open for private devotion.

Respectfully submitted for the Executive Committee.

WM. C. WINSLOW, *Secretary.*

Boston, May 14, 1884.

The Rev. ARTHUR C. A. HALL presented the following Annual Report of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions: —

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions presents its Sixth Annual Report, as follows: —

Regular monthly meetings have been held during nine months of the year with an average representation of thirty-five parishes. The Annual Meeting was held on Oct. 17, and the Anniversary Service on the evening of Nov. 7, in Trinity Church, the preacher being the Right. Rev. D. S. Tuttle, S.T.D., Missionary Bishop of Utah.

The Annual Report, published in October, shows the following summary of the year's work: —

161 boxes sent, valued	\$10,580 98
Money collected and forwarded	8,105 05
Total	\$18,686 03

Respectfully submitted.

HELEN TURNER, *Secretary M.B.W.A.*

Boston, May 11, 1884.

The Rev. ALFRED F. WASHBURN presented the following Report from the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children: —

REPORT OF THE CHURCH HOME FOR ORPHAN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN.

That an institution like the Church Home should have few striking incidents in its history, is its chief characteristic and glory. It pursues its steady routine of usefulness, sounding no trumpet to proclaim its deeds: one day is

like another; and hence it is difficult to write reports, from year to year, which will attract attention, or excite interest.

Thirty-two children have been admitted during the year; eighteen have been baptized. Two have died, — one of diphtheria and one of scarlet-fever, which was very prevalent last autumn; but that only two should have died, out of the one hundred and thirty-two who have shared the comforts of the Home during the year, is alone sufficient to attest the faithful and devoted care of the matrons, while it is worthy of note that it is seven years since even two deaths have occurred in one twelvemonth.

It is pleasant to report the interest taken in the Home by some of the Sunday Schools of the Diocese: for instance, St. Paul's Sunday School, Boston, has gradually furnished the hospital, giving something every year; Christ Church Sunday School, Quincy, sent eight dollars last summer, with which the children, twenty at a time, were taken on short pleasure trips. Several other Sunday Schools support one or more children, and it is hoped that the interest will extend to other parishes.

SARAH A. C. BOND, *Secretary*.

MAY 13, 1884.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, the CHAIR appointed the following Committee to nominate to the Convention proper persons to be named by the Convention for election as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary: —

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW.

Mr. EDWARD L. DAVIS.

" " GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

" JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

" " LEIGHTON PARKS.

On motion it was —

Resolved, That the Convention now adjourn, to meet in Trinity Church for Divine Service at nine o'clock A.M. to-morrow.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 15, A.D. 1884.

NINE O'CLOCK A.M.

The Convention attended Divine Service in Trinity Church.

Morning Prayer to the First Lesson was read by the Rev. SAMUEL HODGKISS, the Lessons and the Te Deum were read by the Rev. PHILO W. SPRAGUE, the Nicene Creed and the Prayers by the Rev. HERBERT N. CUNNINGHAM. The Benediction was pronounced by the BISHOP.

At the conclusion of Divine Service, the Convention re-assembled in the Chapel of Trinity Church.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Printed ballots (in compliance with the fourteenth Rule of Order, required to be printed by the Secretary) for members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese were then distributed among the members of the Convention.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., stated to the Convention that Clement Hugh Hill declined a re-election as a member of the Standing Committee.

The Rev. ALFRED E. JOHNSON, for the Executive Committee, made the following Report:—

The Executive Committee would respectfully recommend that the opening services of the next Annual Convention on the fifth Wednesday after Easter, 1885, be held in Trinity Church, Boston; and the Business Sessions, in the Chapel of Trinity Church. They would nominate as Preacher the Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D.; and, as substitute, the Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D.

Respectfully submitted.

ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON.
H. L. FOOTE.
H. A. TURNER.

Action on which, by general consent, was deferred till later in the session. (See p. 79.)

An invitation to visit and use the General Theological Library was received from its Directors, which was accepted, with thanks.

The Rev. SAMUEL H. HILLIARD, for the Committee on Unfinished Business, made the following Report:—

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report that the unfinished business remaining over from the last Convention is as follows:—

The Report of the Committee on the Proposed Amendment of Article II., Section 2, the action upon which at the last Convention is reported on pp. 70 and 71 of the Journal.

Also, the Report of the Committee appointed to revise the Form for Constitution and By-Laws of a Parish, and report thereon at the next meeting of the Convention; the resolution for which is found on pp. 72 and 73 of the Journal. Also,—

Resolution, That the Diocesan Board of Missions report to this Convention on subject of their incorporation; on p. 84 of the Journal.

Also, the Resolution, that Sect. 5 of Canon II., Title 1, be referred to Standing Committee to report to this Convention; as found on p. 85.

S. H. HILLIARD.
JOHN H. STACY.
HENRY P. WEBBER.

The Order of the Day, the amendment of Art. II., Sect. 2, of the Constitution, as to the qualifications of the Clergy to vote in Convention (pp. 70, 71, Journal of Convention of 1883), having arrived, the Secretary read the amendment for the information of the House.

ARTICLE II.

SECT. 2. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop shall each have a seat and vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall be entitled to seat and vote in the Convention, *provided*

(a) That he has been canonically resident for at least three months next preceding the session of the Convention, and has been during that period regularly and canonically engaged in the discharge of the duties of his office, either as Rector, Minister-in-charge, Assistant Minister, or Missionary of some Parish, Church, or Mission of this Diocese, or as Head, Chaplain, or Teacher of some incorporated Institution of learning, benevolence, or discipline, within the limits of the same, and performing clerical functions, or as Chaplain of the Army or Navy of the United States, performing duty within this Diocese, or as a General Missionary of the Diocese, or as Registrar of the Diocese, or as an agent of the Board of Missions, or as holding some appointment under the institutions of the General Convention.

Or (b), That, having been canonically resident for the entire year preceding the session of the Convention, he shall, not less than three weeks prior to said session, have submitted to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in writing (subject to the final judgment of the Convention, according to Sect. 4 of this Article), reasonable and sufficient evidence that, during the greater part of the year, he has been actually engaged, within this Diocese, in some Parish, Church, or Mission, or in one of the various capacities mentioned in sub-section (a), in the performance of the public functions pertaining to his sacred office, or that, by reason of age or physical disability, he has been unable to discharge the same, or that he has, during an aggregate of thirty years, performed some one or more of the duties above described. And all other Clergymen, canonically resident in this Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership in this Convention, except the right to vote.

By general consent, the words “or as an agent of the Board of Missions,” in sub-section a of Sect. 2, were stricken out as unnecessary, owing to provisions elsewhere made in the Article.

Mr. JAMES EMMOTT, a delegate from The House of Prayer, Lowell, appeared, and took his seat.

The hour of eleven o'clock — the hour for election of the Officers of the Diocese — having arrived, it was, on motion, —

Resolved, That this General Order be deferred half an hour.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS offered the following amendment: —

Strike out, with the exception of the last sentence, all of sub-section b, of Sect. 2, Art. II., as proposed, and approved.

The vote on which being as follows: —

Ayes	59	Nays	81
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The amendment was lost.

The question upon the passage of the amendment of Sect. 2 of Art. II. of the Constitution then came up.

The Chair appointed as tellers for the Clerical vote, —

The Rev. HENRY L. FOOTE.
 " EMELIUS W. SMITH.
 " BENJAMIN S. SANDERSON.

And as tellers for the Lay vote, —

J. MORTON CLINCH.
 ALBERT S. PILLSBURY.
 EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M.D.

The vote resulted as follows : —

	<i>Clerical.</i>		<i>Lay.</i>
Whole number	96	Whole number	46
Ayes	66	Ayes	24
Nays	29	Nays	21

The amendment, with the exception of the words "or as an agent of the Board of Missions," — stricken out by general consent, — having been approved by a majority of each order, became a part of the Constitution of the Diocese.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS, from the Eastern Convocation, presented and read the following Report : —

The Eastern Convocation respectfully reports as follows : —

Meetings have been held in St. Paul's Church, Natick; Calvary Church, Danvers; St. John's Memorial Chapel, Cambridge; Grace Church, Medford; and Grace Church, Newton. A special meeting was held in St. Anne's Chapel, Lowell.

Turning the pages which record the transactions at these sessions, we find entered there memorials of departed members, and remember that hours of sorrow have been mingled with our pleasant gatherings.

Twice has our Convocation been bereft of its head. Our memories freshly reproduce the events which have left so deep a trace in our history.

At old St. Anne's in Lowell, we gathered on a bright day in June, to find its walls draped in mourning, and our venerable Dean at rest before the altar where he had served so long and so well.

In Cambridge, the November following, we welcomed our brother, long tried and much beloved, to the vacant chair.

In Medford, only two months later, we gathered again with tearful eyes, to tell of our loss, and to offer again a memorial for our departed Dean, swept from our sight by the rushing waves in that night when so many hearts were broken.

At that same session, we remembered also a venerable brother, whose work for Convocation is part of its history, and whose service for Christ on earth closed as the Church kept her Advent.

Not till this week, in our Annual Meeting, have we again filled the vacant places.

The following officers were elected : —

Dean. — The Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D.

Vice-Dean. — The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D.D.

Secretary. — The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS.

Treasurer. — The Rev. HENRY A. METCALF.

To represent the Convocation in the Board of Missions: —

The Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D.

Mr. CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

The Treasurer's Report shows a balance of \$20.19, which has been paid to the Treasurer of the Missionary Board.

At the meeting just held in Newton, a new and good departure was made in holding services on the evening of the first day of our session, in each of the four Parishes within its limits. Convocation has reason for continued encouragement and fresh hope for future usefulness.

Its meetings are marked by hearty services; and its members spare no pains to make its sessions profitable to both the Clergy and laity.

The re-adjustment of our territorial limits, in order to a more equal distribution of the Clergy among the several Convocations, has been considered, but no plan adopted.

We are prepared to favorably consider some plan for re-adjusting the limits of the Eastern and Central Convocations, based upon geographical lines, and channels of communication.

WM. G. WELLS, *Secretary*.

LAWRENCE, May 12, 1884.

The Secretary presented, without reading, the following Report of the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society: —

REPORT OF THE MARGARET COFFIN PRAYER-BOOK SOCIETY.

The Society has pursued its quiet but useful work for the past year, and has distributed books in this and other Dioceses. It has distributed gratuitously 1,286 Prayer-Books and 876 Hymnals: viz., in Massachusetts, 931 Prayer-Books and 666 Hymnals; in New Hampshire, 50 Prayer-Books and 50 Hymnals; in Maine, 120 Prayer-Books and 50 Hymnals; in Virginia, 80 Prayer-Books and 30 Hymnals; in Texas, 25 Prayer-Books; in Oregon, 50 Prayer-Books and 50 Hymnals; in Iowa, 30 Prayer-Books and 30 Hymnals; a total of 2,312 volumes.

The Permanent Fund invested remains at \$12,500. The receipts (including balance from last year of \$561.45) have been \$1,739.69.

Disbursements.

For printing and binding Prayer-Books	\$358 32
Purchase of Prayer-Books (1,000)	200 00
Purchase of Hymnals (1,000)	200 00
Insurance	8 00
Printing notices, etc.	6 60
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	\$772 92
Balance to new account	966 77
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	\$1,739 69

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY M. UPHAM, *Treasurer*.

The Secretary stated that the Report of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents would be handed in later, and inserted in this part of the Journal.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

St. Luke's Home for Convalescents during the past year has not been characterized by any marked or unusual events, although the work of the Home has gone on with undiminished interest and devotion in the hands of those in charge.

The Receipts from Donations, Miscellaneous Offerings, Annual Subscriptions, and other sources, amounted to over seven thousand dollars, and the expenses to a like amount.

The Permanent Fund has been further increased by a legacy of two thousand dollars from the estate of the lamented Mrs. Chickering, — a cheering indication that the work of the Home is commanding itself.

The Home building has been newly painted, and put in good outside repair; but the building is old, and will soon require more done inside and outside. To enable the Trustees to meet this, as well as to enlarge the usefulness of the Home, they most earnestly solicit increased gifts and contributions.

The whole number of patients during the past year was two hundred and fifteen (an increase of eight over the previous year); being allowed to remain, on an average, six weeks at the Home.

The Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON, for the Committee on Finance, made the following Report: —

The Committee on Finance beg to report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the past year, and find them correct and properly vouched for.

They recommend that the assessment be laid for the coming year at one and a half per cent of the rector's salary of the respective parishes.

They also recommend that hereafter the sum allowed for transcribing the Journal of the Annual Meeting of the Convention into the permanent Record Books of the Diocese be thirty dollars; the present allowance of ten dollars having been established when the contents of the Journal were much less in extent.

THOS. W. NICKERSON.

MAY 15, 1884.

which, together with its recommendations, were adopted.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, from the Committee on the Nomination of Trustees for the General Theological Seminary, presented the following Report, action on which was postponed (see p. 101): —

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES FOR THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Committee would respectfully report to the Convention the following list of trustees: —

To represent the Diocese as the Clerical trustee, the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS; and the following to be trustees until the new regulation respecting trustees goes into effect: —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	The Rev. HENRY F. ALLEN.
" NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D.D.	" CHARLES AREY, D.D.
" THOMAS F. FALES.	" L. K. STORRS.
" CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.	" LEIGHTON PARKS.
" LEANDER C. MANCHESTER.	" MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	" JOHN MILTON PECK.
" ALFRED E. JOHNSON.	" EMELIUS W. SMITH.

And

HON. ROBERT C. WINTHROP.	HON. WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.	JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
JOHN B. STEBRINS.	Prof. DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee.

WM. C. WINSLOW, *Chairman.*

The Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER, on behalf of the special Committee on the Commemoration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Organization of the Diocese, made a Report. (See p. 96.)

On motion of the Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, the Report of this Committee, together with the Report (p. 74) of the Executive Committee, were referred to a joint Committee to be appointed by the CHAIR. The CHAIR appointed as such joint Committee the members of the two Committees, the Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER being the Chairman.

The Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS moved the postponement of the elections until after the subject of amendments to the amended Second Article of the Constitution was disposed of; which motion was lost.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the election of the Standing Committee.

The following nominations were made:—

By the Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS:—

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" EDWARD M. GUSHEE.	EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.

By Mr. CAUSTEN BROWNE:—

The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D.	EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	JOHN C. ROPES.

By the Rev. BENJAMIN S. SANDERSON:—

The Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" PERCY BROWNE.	EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" F. COURTNEY, S.T.D.	ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.

By GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D. : —

The Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBERS, D.D. EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.

By MR. AMOS A. LAWRENCE : —

The Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE. MR. WILLIAM C. LOVERING.

By the Rev. WILLIAM H. MONROE : —

MR. IRA CLEVELAND.

By the Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN : —

MR. CAUTION BROWNE.

By MR. FRANCIS J. PARKER : —

MR. ROBERT CODMAN.

By MR. ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON : —

MR. JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

The CHAIR appointed the following tellers on the Clerical vote : —

The Rev. HENRY A. METCALF.

" EDWARD BENEDICT.

" WILLIAM W. NEWTON.

On the Lay vote : —

MR. HENRY M. LOVERING.

" HENRY M. UPHAM.

" F. EDWARD OLIVER, M.D.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW rose to a question of privilege, as to his right to a vote under the Constitution as amended at this session, upon which question no action was taken.

MR. FRANCIS J. PARKER called for the Order of the Day, the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws of Parishes.

On motion of the Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, the consideration of this Report was made the order of the day for three o'clock this afternoon.

The CHAIR appointed as a Committee to make nominations to fill vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions, —

The Rev. SUMNER U. SHEARMAN.

MR. HENRY HYDE SMITH.

" GEORGE S. BENNETT.

" E. B. HUMPHREYS, LL.D.

" J. MILTON PECK.

On motion, —

Resolved, That the House now take a recess till three o'clock P.M.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Rev. H. A. METCALF, from the tellers of the Clerical vote for the Standing Committee, reported as follows : —

REPORT OF THE TELLERS APPOINTED ON THE PART OF THE CLERGY TO RECEIVE AND COUNT THE BALLOTS FOR STANDING COMMITTEE.

Whole number of votes cast 94

Necessary to a choice 48

The following is the result of the vote:—

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE 85	Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., 93
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., 79	" WILLIAM S. GARDNER 89
" THOS. R. LAMBERT, D.D., 68	" EDWARD L. DAVIS 88
" F. COURTNEY, S.T.D. 54	" EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D., 26
" PERCY BROWNE 42	" JOHN S. BLATCHFORD 24
" E. M. GUSHEE 13	" ROBERT TREAT PAINE, Jun. 20
" A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ,	" WILLIAM C. LOVERING 10
D.D. 11	" ROBERT CODMAN 4
" H. F. ALLEN 6	" CAUSTEN BROWNE 3
" R. H. HOWE 2	" CLEMENT H. HILL 3
" C. C. GRAFTON 1	" JOHN C. ROPES 2
" C. H. LEAROYD 1	" IRA CLEVELAND 2
" JOHN WRIGHT 1	" HENRY S. CHASE 1
" W. W. NEWTON 1	" AMOS A. LAWRENCE 1
" WILLIAM LAWRENCE 1	
" J. M. TURNER 1	
" A. C. A. HALL 1	

HENRY A. METCALF, *Chairman.*

Elected on the part of the Clergy, —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	" WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" THOS. R. LAMBERT, D.D.	" EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" FREDK. COURTNEY, S.T.D.	

Mr. HENRY M. LOVERING, for the tellers of the Lay vote for the Standing Committee, reported as follows : —

REPORT OF THE TELLERS APPOINTED ON THE PART OF THE LAITY TO RECEIVE AND COUNT THE BALLOTS FOR STANDING COMMITTEE.

Whole number of ballots cast 44

Necessary for a choice 23

The following is the result of the vote:—

<i>Clerical.</i>		<i>Lay.</i>	
Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE . . .	43	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D. . .	-
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D. . .	35	EDWARD L. DAVIS . . .	6
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D. . .	35	W. S. GARDNER . . .	40
" FREDK. COURTNEY, S.T.D. . .	24	EDMUND H. BENNETT . . .	13
" PERCY BROWNE . . .	22	WILLIAM C. LOVERING . . .	21
" A. ST. JOHN CHAMBERS, D.D. . .	5	JOHN S. BLATCHFORD . . .	9
" EDWARD M. GUSHER . . .	4	ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN. . .	6
" LEIGHTON PARKS . . .	1	ROBERT CODMAN . . .	6
" GEORGE W. BRINN, D.D. . .	1	LEA CLEVELAND . . .	2
" CHARLES H. LEAROYD . . .	1	DANIEL P. CROCKER . . .	1
" H. F. ALLEN . . .	1	CAUSTEN BROWNE . . .	1
" C. L. HUTCHINS . . .	1		

Elected on the part of the Laity,—

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	" EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	" WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" FREDK. COURTNEY, S.T.D.	

HENRY M. LOVERING, *for the Lay Tellers.*

There were therefore elected in concurrence the following :—

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	" EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	" WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" FREDK. COURTNEY, S.T.D.	

On motion of Mr. G. C. SHATTUCK, M.D.,—

Resolved, That, in the election of the fourth Lay member of the Standing Committee, balloting be dispensed with.

On motion of the same,—

Resolved, That the vacancy be filled by the election of Edmund H. Bennett, LL.D.

There being one vacancy in the Clerical Deputies to the General Convention, and one vacancy in the Provisional Clerical Deputies to the same body, the following nominations were made :—

For Deputy.

The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D., by the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, by the Rev. SAMUEL H. HILLIARD.

The Rev. Dean GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D., by the Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT.

For Provisional Deputy.

The Rev. LEONIDAS B. BALDWIN, by the Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, by Mr. ALBERT S. PILLSBURY.

The CHAIR appointed the following tellers on the Clerical vote : —

The Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS.

“ JEREMIAH J. CRESSEY.

“ JOHN T. MAGRATH.

On the Lay vote : —

Mr. HOWARD STOCKTON.

“ ALBERT S. PILLSBURY.

“ HENRY B. MACKINTOSH.

and the House proceeded to vote.

Ballots were then cast separately by the Clergy and the Laity.

On motion of Mr. FRANCIS J. PARKER, it was

Resolved, To take up the special order of the day, the Report of the Committee on the Form of Constitution or By-Laws for Parishes.

The Assistant Secretary read the proposed Form, article by article.

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.—FORM OF BY-LAWS FOR PARISHES, RECOMMENDED BY THE CONVENTION.

[Reported by the Committee of the Convention of 1883.]

[*Note that ten or more persons are required, in order to form a religious society, under the laws of Massachusetts. The forms to be observed, in order to become a corporation, are very distinctly stated in the Public Statutes, Chapter 38, Sections 25 and 26.*]

CONSTITUTION OR BY-LAWS.

[*Date.*]

PREAMBLE.

1 The undersigned have associated themselves together for the
2 purpose of maintaining the public worship of Almighty God, ac-
3 cording to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal
4 Church in the United States of America, under the name
5 [*The name should include the word “ Parish ” and the place*],
6 and have adopted the following articles as the By-Laws of the
7 parish.

I.

AUTHORITY ACKNOWLEDGED.

1 This Parish accedes to the constitution, canons, doctrine, dis-

2 cipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the
3 United States of America, and to the constitution and canons
4 of the Diocese of Massachusetts, and acknowledges their author-
5 ity.

II.

MEMBERSHIP.

Pub. State. 1 Any baptized male person of the age of twenty-one years may,
Chap. 38, 2 upon his application in writing, be admitted to be a member of
§ 4. 3 this Parish by vote of the majority of the members present at any
Taylor & 4 meeting duly notified; and any member who, for the space of
Edson, 5 twelve consecutive months, shall have refrained from contribut-
4 Cushing's 6 ing toward the support of the Parish may, by a like vote, be
Reports, 7 dropped from the list of members. No person who disclaims or
p. 622. 8 refuses conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal
Pub. State. 9 Church shall be eligible to office in the parish, or entitled to vote
Chap. 38, 10 in its affairs.
§ 5.

III.

ANNUAL MEETING.

1 The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter week,
2 in such place as the Wardens and Vestry may appoint, for the
Pub. State. 3 choice by ballot of two Wardens, who shall perform the duty of
Chap. 38, 4 Assessors; a Treasurer, who shall be the Collector; a Clerk.
§§ 10, 48. 5 and — Vestrymen. All of the above-named officers shall con-
6 stitute the Board of Wardens and Vestry — hereinafter denomi-
7 nated "the Vestry" — and they shall serve until the next annual
8 meeting and until others are elected and qualified in their stead.
Pub. State. 9 The Wardens, Treasurer, and Clerk shall be sworn. Delegates
Chap. 38, 10 to the Diocesan Convention shall also be chosen at the annual
§§ 9, 14. 11 meeting, in such manner as the members present may determine.

IV.

SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Pub. State. 1 Special meetings may be called by the Wardens or Vestry at
Chap. 38, 2 any time, and shall be called by the Wardens whenever so re-
§§ 10, 48. 3 quested in writing by the Rector, or by five members of the par-
12, 17. 4 ish. Vacancies in any office may be filled at any parish meeting.

V.

WARRANT AND PRESIDING OFFICER.

1 All meetings of the Parish shall be warned by posting an at-
2 tested copy of the warrant calling the same upon one of the
3 doors of usual public entrance to the church or place of worship
4 occupied by the Parish, seven days at least before the day fixed
Pub. State. 5 for the meeting. The Rector if present, or in his absence one of
Chap. 38, 6 the Wardens, shall preside; in the absence of the Rector and the
§§ 48, 14.

7 Wardens, a moderator shall be chosen by ballot, — members Pub. Stats.
8 present shall suffice for a quorum. Nothing acted upon at a Chap. 38,
9 Parish meeting shall have any legal operation, unless the subject § 12.
10 matter thereof was inserted in the warrant, for such meeting.

VI.

AUTHORITY OF THE RECTOR.

1 The Rector shall have entire control of all things relating to
2 the time and manner of public worship in the church, the music,
3 the choristers, and the furniture and arrangement of the chancel,
4 but he shall have no power to bind the Parish to the payment
5 of money. No person shall be eligible to the office of Rector,
6 unless he is a qualified minister of the Protestant Episcopal
7 Church in good standing. The Rector shall be appointed by the
8 Vestry, at a meeting to be called for that purpose.

VII.

WARDENS.

1 It shall be the duty of the Wardens to provide the furniture,
2 books, vestments, and all things necessary for the due celebra-
3 tion of Divine Service; to collect the alms, and to disburse the
4 same when the Parish is destitute of a Rector; and, in the ab-
5 sence of the Rector, or during a vacancy in that office, to pro-
6 vide for the temporary performance of its duties. In case of the
7 absence or disability of either Warden, or of a vacancy in his
8 office, the powers and duties of the Wardens shall devolve upon
9 the remaining Warden.

VIII.

TREASURER.

1 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect all moneys due to
2 the Parish, and to receive and receipt for all pecuniary gifts and
3 legacies to the same. He shall keep a true record of his receipts
4 and disbursements, and present a full statement thereof, and of
5 the financial condition of the Parish, at each annual meeting.
6 He shall pay no sum exceeding ten dollars without the approval
7 of at least one Warden, or two Vestrymen, or the standing order
8 of the Parish or the Vestry. He shall give bonds, whenever
9 required by the Vestry, for the faithful performance of his duties.

IX.

CLERK.

1 It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep the records of the Parish
2 and of the Vestry, and also to keep a roll of the members of the
3 Parish entitled to vote in its affairs.

X.

VESTRY.

Pub. State. 1 The Vestry shall constitute the Standing Committee of the Par-
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 §§ 10, 43. 3 usage and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church and in
 4 compliance with the statutes of the Commonwealth. It shall be
 5 the duty of the Vestry to manage the prudential affairs, and to
 6 care for the property of the Parish, to supervise and direct the
 7 officers, excepting the Rector, in the discharge of their duties,
 8 and to audit the accounts of the Treasurer. Their records shall
 9 be open to the examination of members of the Parish at its meet-
 10 ings. Meetings of the Vestry may be called by the Rector, either
 11 of the Wardens, or any three members of the Vestry, but the
 12 Vestry may appoint stated meetings and determine the manner
 13 of notifying their meetings. The Rector shall be notified of all
 14 vestry meetings, and when present he shall preside.

XI.

AMENDMENTS.

Pub. State. 1 These By-Laws may be amended at any Parish meeting, if notice
 Chap. 88, 2 has been given of the amendment proposed at a previous Parish
 § 12. 3 meeting, and if the subject matter thereof is inserted in the
 4 warrant calling the meeting at which the amendment is to be
 5 adopted. *Provided always*, that no amendment shall ever be made
 6 which shall in any degree release the Parish from its allegiance
 7 to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United
 8 States of America, or the Diocese within the limits of which the
 9 Parish may be; nor which shall deduct anything from the qual-
 10 ifications required for eligibility to the office of Rector.

The Preamble having been read, on motion, was adopted.

On motion, Article I. was adopted.

Article II. being under consideration, Mr. JOSEPH STORY FAY moved an amendment, as follows:—

Strike out the word "male" in the first line.

Which was lost.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT moved an amendment, as follows:—

Strike out the word "baptized" in the first line.

Which was lost.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS moved an amendment, as follows:—

Insert in line two, after the words "member of," the words "the Corpora-
 tion of."

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE moved an amendment to the amendment offered by the Rev. Mr. PARKS, as follows : —

Strike out the words, “the Corporation of,” and insert the word “legal” before the word “member” in the second line.

Which was lost.

The amendment proposed by the Rev. Mr. PARKS was lost.

The consideration of the Form of By-Laws for Parishes having been suspended, the Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS, from the tellers on the Clerical vote for filling one vacancy in the Clerical Deputies, and one vacancy in the Provisional Clerical Deputies, to the General Convention, made the following Report : —

For Deputy.

Whole number of votes cast	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	76
Necessary to a choice	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	39
The Rev. F. COURTNEY, S.T.D.	.	.	39	The Rev. PERCY BROWNE	.	.	.	3
“ GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D.	.	.	21	“ ARTHUR C. A. HALL	.	.	.	1
“ ARTHUR LAWRENCE	.	.	10	“ EDWARD ABBOTT.	.	.	.	1

For Provisional Deputy.

Whole number of votes cast	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	65
Necessary to a choice	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	33
The Rev. LEONIDAS B. BALDWIN	.	.	15	The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE	.	.	.	2
“ ARTHUR LAWRENCE	.	.	15	“ GEO. WELLS DURELL	.	.	.	1
“ GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D.	.	.	13	“ ARTHUR C. A. HALL	.	.	.	1
“ EDWARD ABBOTT	.	.	6	“ A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ,	.	.	.	
“ F. COURTNEY, S.T.D.	.	.	4	“ D.D.	.	.	.	1
“ PERCY BROWNE	.	.	3	“ WILLIAM W. NEWTON	.	.	.	1
“ HENRY F. ALLEN	.	.	2	“ EDWARD M. GUSHEE	.	.	.	1

The Rev. Dr. COURTNEY has been elected a Clerical Deputy, and no choice of a Provisional Clerical Deputy has been made.

Mr. ALBERT S. PILLSBURY, from the tellers on the Lay vote, made the following Report : —

For Deputy.

Whole number of votes cast	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	33
Necessary to a choice	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
The Rev. F. COURTNEY, S.T.D.	.	.	27	The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE	.	.	.	2
“ G. Z. GRAY, D.D.,	.	.	3	“ PERCY BROWNE	.	.	.	1

For Provisional Deputy.

Whole number of votes cast	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	32
Necessary to a choice	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17
The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE	.	.	17	The Rev. F. COURTNEY, S.T.D.	.	.	.	1
“ L. B. BALDWIN	.	.	4	“ A. C. A. HALL	.	.	.	1
“ G. Z. GRAY, D.D.	.	.	4	“ J. T. MAGRATH	.	.	.	1
“ WILLIAM LAWRENCE	.	.	2	“ W. W. NEWTON	.	.	.	1
“ EDWARD ABBOTT	.	.	1					

The Rev. F. COURTNEY, S.T.D., has been elected a Deputy, and the Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE a Provisional Deputy.

The Rev. Dr. COURTNEY was elected, in concurrence, a Clerical Deputy to the General Convention.

There having been no choice of a Provisional Clerical Deputy on motion of Mr. CAUSTEN BROWNE, it was

Resolved, That, in the election of this last-named officer, the rule requiring elections to be by ballot be suspended.

On motion of the same —

Resolved, That the Rev. George Zabriskie Gray, D.D., be declared elected a Provisional Clerical Deputy to the General Convention.

The consideration of the Form of By-Laws for Parishes having been resumed, on motion of the Rev. GEORGE S. BENNETT, Article II., as proposed, was amended to read as follows : —

Any baptized male person of the age of twenty-one years, who has signed the Constitution and By-Laws of the parish, and who has aided in maintaining public worship therein for a period of twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, either by regular attendance thereon or by pecuniary aid in having a sitting, or otherwise, shall be considered a member of the parish, and entitled to vote in its affairs; and any member who for the space of twelve consecutive months shall have refrained from regular worship, and from contributing towards the support of the parish, may, by a vote of the parish, be dropped from the list of members. No person who disclaims or refuses conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church shall be eligible to office in the parish, or entitled to vote in its affairs.

Article II., thus amended, was adopted.

The Rev. DAVID G. HASKINS, D.D., moved that the Convention pass over the consideration of Articles III., IV., and V., for the present, and consider Article VI. The motion was lost.

Article III. being then considered, the Rev. HENRY L. FOOTE moved an amendment as follows : —

Insert after the word "Wardens," in the third line, the words "who shall be communicants in this Church, and".

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS moved an amendment to this amendment, as follows : —

Add the words "when practicable," after the word "communicants."

Which was lost.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT moved an amendment to the amendment proposed by the Rev. Mr. FOOTE, as follows : —

Strike out the words, "communicants in this Church," and insert the word "baptized."

Which was lost.

The amendment proposed by the Rev. Mr. FOOTE was adopted.

The Rev. HENRY A. METCALF moved an amendment, as follows: —

Insert the words, "the first Monday in Advent," in place of the words, "Monday in Easter week," in the first line.

Upon a call for a division in the decision of the vote upon this amendment, it appeared that there were 33 ayes and 72 noes; and the amendment was lost.

The Rev. C. L. HUTCHINS moved an amendment, as follows: —

Insert after the word "officers," in the fifth line, the words, "and the Rector;" and in the sixth line, before the word "Wardens," the word "Rector."

Which was adopted.

Article III., as amended, was then adopted.

Article IV., having been read, was, upon motion, adopted.

Article V., being under consideration, the Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D., moved an amendment, as follows: —

Insert after the word "parish," in the fourth line, the words, "and read once at Public worship."

Which was lost.

On motion, Article V. was adopted.

Upon consideration of Article VI., the Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D.D., moved an amendment, as follows: —

Insert the word "chosen" in place of the word "appointed," in the seventh line, and strike out the words "to be," in the eighth line.

The amendment was adopted.

The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D., moved an amendment, as follows: —

And at the end of the Article, the following words, "And in case of a vacancy being allowed to continue for a space of more than six months, the appointment of a Rector shall lapse to the Bishop."

Upon the vote being taken on this amendment, a division was called for. It appeared that there were 54 votes in the affirmative, and 65 in the negative; and the amendment was lost.

Mr. EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M.D., moved an amendment, as follows: —

Strike out the words, "qualified minister," in the sixth line, and insert the word "priest."

The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME moved an amendment to this amendment, as follows:—

Strike out the word "priest," and insert the word "presbyter."

Which was lost.

Upon the vote being taken on the amendment of Dr. COGSWELL, a division was called for. It appeared that there were 31 ayes, and 74 nays; and the amendment was lost.

Mr. CAUSTEN BROWNE moved an amendment as follows:—

Insert the word "ordained," before the word "minister," in the sixth line.

Which was lost.

The Rev. GEORGE S. BENNITT moved an amendment, as follows:—

Strike out the word "Vestry," in the eighth line, and insert the word "Parish."

Upon a call for a division, it appeared that there were 37 ayes, and 70 nays; and the amendment was lost.

On motion, Article VI. as amended, was adopted.

On motion, Article VII. was adopted.

On motion, Article VIII. was adopted.

On motion, Article IX. was adopted.

Article X. being considered, the Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D., moved an amendment, as follows:—

¶ Strike out, in lines six and seven, the words, "to supervise and direct the officers, excepting the Rector, in the discharge of their duties."

Which was lost.

The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D., moved an amendment, as follows:—

In the thirteenth and fourteenth lines, strike out the words, "shall be notified of all vestry meetings, and," — also the word "he," in the fourteenth line.

The amendment was adopted.

On motion, Article X., as amended, was adopted.

Article XI. being considered, the Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D.D., moved an amendment, as follows:—

Insert after the word "meeting," in the first line, the words, "by a two-thirds vote of those present."

The amendment was adopted.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., moved an amendment, as follows : —

At the end of the Article, add the words, "or from the rights of the Rector, previously defined in these By-Laws."

The amendment was adopted.

The Rev. SUMNER U. SHEARMAN moved an amendment, as follows : —

Insert the words, "of Massachusetts," in place of the words, "within the limits of which the Parish may be," in lines eight and nine.

Which was lost.

On motion, Article XI., as amended, was adopted.

On motion, —

Resolved, That the Form of By-Laws for Parishes, the Preamble, and the Articles of which have been severally adopted, be now adopted as a whole, as the Form of By-Laws for Parishes, recommended by this Convention.

The form of Constitution or By-Laws for Parishes, recommended by the Convention, as amended and adopted is as follows : —

FORM OF BY-LAWS FOR PARISHES, RECOMMENDED BY THE CONVENTION.

[Note that ten or more persons are required in order to form a religious society under the laws of Massachusetts. The forms to be observed in order to become a corporation are very distinctly stated in the Public Statutes, Chapter 38, Sections 25 and 26.]

CONSTITUTION OR BY-LAWS.

[Date.]

PREAMBLE.

1 The undersigned have associated themselves together for the
2 purpose of maintaining the public worship of Almighty God,
3 according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal
4 Church in the United States of America, under the name . . .
5 [The name should include the word "Parish" and the place], . . .
6 and have adopted the following articles as the By-Laws of the
7 Parish.

I.

AUTHORITY ACKNOWLEDGED.

1 This Parish accedes to the constitution, canons, doctrine, dis-
2 cipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the
3 United States of America, and to the constitution and canons
4 of the Diocese of Massachusetts, and acknowledges their author-
5 ity.

II.

MEMBERSHIP.

- Pub. State. 1 Any baptized male person of the age of twenty-one years, who
 Chap. 35, 2 has signed the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish, and who
 § 4. 3 has aided in maintaining public worship therein for a period of
 4 twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, either by
 5 regular attendance thereon or by pecuniary aid in hiring a sit-
 Taylor v. 6 ting, or otherwise, shall be considered a member of the Parish,
 Edson, 7 and entitled to vote in its affairs; and any member who, for the
 4 Ousling's 8 space of twelve consecutive months, shall have refrained from
 Reports, 9 regular worship, and from contributing toward the support of
 p. 522. 10 the Parish, may, by a vote of the Parish, be dropped from the
 Pub. State. 11 list of members. No person who disclaims or refuses conform-
 Chap. 38, 12 ity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church shall be
 § 5. 13 eligible to office in the Parish, or entitled to vote in its affairs.

III.

ANNUAL MEETING.

- Pub. State. 1 The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter week,
 Chap. 38, 2 in such place as the Wardens and Vestry may appoint, for the
 §§ 10, 43. 3 choice by ballot of two Wardens, who shall be communicants
 4 in this Church, and who shall perform the duty of Assessors, a
 5 Treasurer, who shall be the Collector; a Clerk; and — Vestry-
 6 men. All of the above-named officers and the Rector shall con-
 7 stitute the board of Rector, Wardens, and Vestry, — hereinafter
 Pub. State. 8 denominated "the Vestry," — and they shall serve until the next
 Chap. 38, 9 annual meeting, and until others are elected and qualified in
 §§ 9, 14. 10 their stead. The Wardens, Treasurer, and Clerk shall be sworn.
 11 Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall also be chosen at
 12 the annual meeting, in such manner as the members present
 13 may determine.

IV.

SPECIAL MEETINGS.

- Pub. State. 1 Special meetings may be called by the Wardens or Vestry at
 Chap. 38, 2 any time, and shall be called by the Wardens whenever so re-
 §§ 10, 43, 3 quested in writing by the Rector or by five members of the Par-
 12, 17. 4 ish. Vacancies in any office may be filled at any Parish meeting.

V.

WARRANT AND PRESIDING OFFICER.

- 1 All meetings of the Parish shall be warned by posting an at-
 2 tested copy of the warrant calling the same upon one of the
 3 doors of usual public entrance to the church or place of worship
 4 occupied by the Parish, seven days at least before the day fixed
 5 for the meeting. The Rector if present, or in his absence one of

6 the Wardens, shall preside; in the absence of the Rector and the
 7 Wardens, a moderator shall be chosen by ballot, ——— members
 8 present shall suffice for a quorum. Nothing acted upon at a Par-
 9 ish meeting shall have any legal operation, unless the subject
 10 matter thereof was inserted in the warrant for such meeting.

Pub. Stats.
 Chap. 38,
 §§ 43, 14.
 Pub. Stats.
 Chap. 38.
 § 12.

VI.

AUTHORITY OF THE RECTOR.

1 The Rector shall have entire control of all things relating to the
 2 time and manner of public worship in the church, the music, the
 3 choristers, and the furniture and arrangement of the chancel,
 4 but he shall have no power to bind the Parish to the payment of
 5 money. No person shall be eligible to the office of Rector, unless
 6 he is a qualified minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church in
 7 good standing. The Rector shall be chosen by the Vestry, at
 8 a meeting called for that purpose.

VII.

WARDENS.

1 It shall be the duty of the Wardens to provide the furniture,
 2 books, vestments, and all things necessary for the due celebra-
 3 tion of Divine Service; to collect the alms, and to disburse the
 4 same when the Parish is destitute of a Rector; and, in the ab-
 5 sence of the Rector, or during a vacancy in that office, to pro-
 6 vide for the temporary performance of its duties. In case of the
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 8 office, the powers and duties of the Wardens shall devolve upon
 9 the remaining Warden.

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1 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect all moneys due to
 2 the Parish, and to receive and receipt for all pecuniary gifts and
 3 legacies to the same. He shall keep a true record of his receipts
 4 and disbursements, and present a full statement thereof, and of
 5 the financial condition of the Parish, at each annual meeting.
 6 He shall pay no sum exceeding ten dollars without the approval
 7 of at least one Warden or two Vestrymen, or the standing order
 8 of the Parish or the Vestry. He shall give bonds, whenever
 9 required by the Vestry, for the faithful performance of his duties.

IX.

CLERK.

1 It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep the records of the
 2 Parish and of the Vestry, and also to keep a roll of the mem-
 3 bers of the Parish entitled to vote in its affairs.

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 §§ 10, 43. 3 usage and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and in
 4 compliance with the statutes of the Commonwealth. It shall be
 5 the duty of the Vestry to manage the prudential affairs, and to
 6 care for the property, of the Parish, to supervise and direct the
 7 officers, excepting the Rector, in the discharge of their duties,
 8 and to audit the accounts of the Treasurer. Their records shall
 9 be open to the examination of members of the Parish at its
 10 meetings. Meetings of the Vestry may be called by the Rector,
 11 either of the Wardens, or any three members of the Vestry, but
 12 the Vestry may appoint stated meetings and determine the man-
 13 ner of notifying their meetings. The Rector, when present, shall
 14 preside.

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AMENDMENTS.

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 § 12. 3 amendment proposed at a previous Parish meeting, and if the
 4 subject matter thereof is inserted in the warrant calling the meet-
 5 ing at which the amendment is to be adopted. *Provided always,*
 6 that no amendment shall ever be made which shall in any degree
 7 release the Parish from its allegiance to the authority of the Prot-
 8 estant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, or the
 9 Diocese within the limits of which the Parish may be; nor which
 10 shall deduct any thing from the qualifications required for eligi-
 11 bility to the office of Rector, or from the rights of the Rector
 12 previously defined in these By-Laws.

On motion of the Rev. HENRY L. FOOTE, —

Resolved, That Sects. 4, 5, 9, 10, 12, 14, 17, 24, 25, 26, and 43 of Chap. XXXVIII. of the Public Statutes be published, with these By-Laws, in the Journal of Convention. (See Appendix C, pp. 209, 210.)

On motion of Mr. CAUSTEN BROWNE, it was

Resolved, That the Order of Business be suspended for ten minutes.

The same gentleman offered the following amendment to Article II. of the Constitution: —

That Article II. of the Constitution be amended by striking out all between the words, "session of the Convention" in (a), and the words, "And all other Clergymen" in (b), and inserting "twelve" instead of "three" before the words "months next preceding."

The vote on which was as follows : —

<i>Clerical.</i>							<i>Lay.</i>						
A yes	.	.	.	.	.	56	A yes	.	.	.	.	.	19
N ays	.	.	.	.	.	3	N ays	.	.	.	.	.	4

The amendment, having been approved by a majority of each Order, stands over for action upon it at the next Annual Session of the Convention.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE presented a Report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, relating to the recommended alteration in the first sentence of Sect. 9, of Canon 1 (of the Diocesan Board of Missions), Title II., and for himself a minority Report.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the recommendation of the Diocesan Board of Missions, that Sect. 9 of the Missionary Canon be so changed that it shall provide for *three* Sunday offerings each year, for the furtherance of the work of the Board, instead of *two* as at present, respectfully reports that it does not approve the recommendation, but recommends, instead, the passage of the following Resolutions:—

Resolved, That every Clergyman in charge of a Parish, Church, or Mission shall, at the time of the offerings for Diocesan Missions, urge the importance of the cause, and generally shall do all in his power to secure the active and zealous co-operation of his charge in the work; and,

Resolved, further, That every Clergyman whose Parish or Mission has not performed its duty in this matter shall give account to the Bishop in his Annual Report, and shall state plainly the reasons for such non-performance.

F. COURTNEY.

REGINALD H. HOWE.

CAUSTEN BROWNE.

JOHN C. ROPES.

MINORITY REPORT.

A minority of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred the recommendation of the Diocesan Board of Missions, that Sect. 9 of the Missionary Canon be so changed that it shall provide for three Sunday offerings each year for the furtherance of the work of the Board, instead of two as at present, respectfully reports, that the minority, while approving the change, does not consider that it is the province of the Committee on Constitution and Canons to express an opinion on the wisdom of the measure referred to them, but to advise the Convention in what way the proposed change in the Canon may be effected.

The minority therefore offers, for the action of the Convention, the following resolution :—

Resolved, That Section 9 of Canon 1, Title II. (of the Diocesan Board of Missions) be changed to read, "All Parishes and Mission Stations within the Diocese are expected to give at least three Sunday offerings in each year for the furtherance of the work committed to the Board."

(Signed) E. M. GUSHEE.

The Rev. E. M. GUSHEE moved that the Resolution of the Minority Report be substituted for the Resolutions of the Majority Report, which motion was lost.

On motion, the Majority Report was accepted, and its resolutions were adopted.

The Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER, for the Committee on the Observance of the Centennial Year of the Church in this Diocese, made the following Report, which was accepted, and its recommendation and resolution were adopted.

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address which relates to the Observance of the Centennial Year of the Church in this Diocese, and the Executive Committee, jointly recommend that the Centennial Year be observed in the following manner; viz., that on Tuesday, the day before the Annual Convention in 1885, a discourse be delivered in the morning, in Trinity Church, Boston —

"On the History of the English Church in the Colony, or Province, of Massachusetts Bay"

On the afternoon of the same day, a discourse be delivered in the same church:

"On the First Three Bishops of the Diocese of Massachusetts."

On Wednesday, in the place of the usual sermon before the Convention, a discourse be delivered:—

"On the First Century of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts."

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to secure speakers for the occasions above indicated, and to make any other arrangements that may be deemed proper on the occasion, and that the business sessions of the Convention be held in the Chapel of Trinity Church, Boston.

(Signed)	EDMUND F. SLAFTER,	} <i>Joint Committee.</i>
	ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON,	
	H. L. FOOTE,	
	C. L. HUTCHINS,	
	HENRY A. TURNER,	
	FITCH EDWARD OLIVER,	

The Rev. SUMNER U. SHEARMAN, for the Committee to make nominations to fill the vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions, made the following Report:—

The Committee appointed to make nominations to fill the vacancies in the Board of Missions nominate to serve for four years,—

Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

Mr. JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

" EDWARD M. GUSHEE.

" DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

Also, to serve for three years, they nominate in place of the vacancy caused by the removal from the Diocese of Rev. William B. Huntington, D.D., the Rev. A. St. John Chambré, D.D.

S. U. SHEARMAN, *for the Committee.*

The Report was accepted ; and, on motion, it was —

Resolved, That the rule requiring elections to be by ballot be suspended, and that the five persons nominated by the Committee be declared elected.

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D., from the Committee on the Resignation of the late Secretary of the Convention, the Rev. JOSEPH HART CLINCH, S.T.D., made the following Report : —

The Committee appointed to prepare a suitable expression of the feelings of the Convention in reference to the resignation of the late Secretary, the Rev. Joseph H. Clinch, S.T.D., respectfully recommend that the following minute be entered upon the Journal; and that a copy be sent to the Rev. Dr. Clinch: —

The members of the Convention have heard, with the deepest regret, that the Rev. Joseph H. Clinch, S.T.D., has felt himself compelled, by the state of his health, to decline a re-election to the office of Secretary which he has held for thirty-six years; and they desire to place upon record their sense of the great value of his services to the Church during this long period; and their appreciation of the fidelity, accuracy, thoroughness, and kindness, with which he has discharged the duties of his very important office.

They also desire to convey to the Rev. Dr. Clinch the expression of their sympathy, and the assurance of their earnest wish and fervent prayer that his remaining years may be as full of peace as they are of honor.

HENRY BURROUGHS,
EDWARD ABBOTT,
AMOS A. LAWRENCE,

Committee.

The Report was accepted, and the recommended minute unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of the Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D.D., it was

Resolved, That the Committee of Arrangements for the celebration of the one hundredth year of the existence of this Convention be requested to ask the Rev. Dr. Courtney to prepare the address on "The History of the English Church in the Colony, or Province, of Massachusetts Bay;"

That they ask the Rev. Mr. Slafter to prepare the address on "The First Three Bishops of the Diocese of Massachusetts;" and,

That they ask the Bishop of this Diocese to deliver the address on "The First Century of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts."

The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE presented the Annual Report of the Massachusetts Branch of the Church Temperance Society, which was received, and is as follows : —

REPORT OF THE MASSACHUSETTS BRANCH OF THE CHURCH TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

The Executive Committee respectfully presents the Annual Report of the Society.

During the past year there has been a distinct growth in the number of members, in the work done, and in the interest taken in the Society and its purpose. This growth, though not large, affords ground for encouragement and motive for further exertion.

From the Diocesan Society two members have been removed by death, five others by removal from the Diocese, and five have withdrawn from membership. The present number of members is one hundred and ten.

Among those removed from the Diocese, we number with regret our esteemed Vice-President, the Rev. W. R. Huntington, D.D., one of the foremost and most earnest workers in the cause of Temperance.

We would say that it is of real importance that the membership of the Diocesan Branch should be increased, that the hands of the Executive Committee may be strengthened, and that there may be a larger number of members from among whom that Committee may be chosen. An expression of sympathy with the Society, and an annual subscription of one dollar, qualifies for membership. There must be many laymen in our parishes, who would readily become members of the Society on these terms, if the matter were brought before them. We commend this to the attention of the Clergy.

In the month of May, 1883, the Executive Committee put out a letter endorsed by the Bishop of the Diocese, asking all the Clergy to bring the Society before their people in a sermon or sermons on Sunday, May 27. In answer to this request, ten sermons were preached in Boston, and fourteen in other parts of the State; and in many other Churches attention was called to the Society by way of a notice from the Chancel step. During the remainder of the year several other sermons have been preached, and two collections given to the funds of the Society: Christ Church, Quincy, \$21.15; and Christ Church, Cambridge, \$56. It is earnestly hoped that in answer to a similar request, which will shortly be made, the call to take part in Temperance work will be sounded out from a much larger number of pulpits, and, also, that the good example of the two parishes above mentioned will be widely followed.

On Tuesday, May 29, a Public Meeting was held in Horticultural Hall, Boston, the Hon. Amos A. Lawrence presiding; when addresses were made by Russell Sturgis, jun., the Rev. H. C. Potter, D.D. (now Assistant Bishop of New York), the Rev. F. Courtney, S.T.D., of Boston, and the Secretary. The meeting was fully attended, and was the means of arousing much interest, and of showing that the Church in this Diocese has at length awakened to some sense of responsibility in the war against Intemperance. Such a hearty and spirited meeting cannot but have left good results.

Jan. 1, 1884, was the occasion of another meeting, at which the Hall was well filled with Sunday Scholars and other children of the Church. The addresses were bright, and the singing hearty. Many of the little people are looking forward to similar gatherings in the future.

The Report of last year, however, said that the real work of the Church Temperance Society must be done not merely by general Meetings, but in the foundation and efficient working of Parochial Societies. Here there has been a gain, though the number of such Societies is still lamentably small. There are now fourteen branches, as against seven last year, and three Juvenile

Societies. The following is a list, giving date of organization, and number of members as far as they have been reported. One Society has been broken up by the dissolution of the Parish: it is hoped that its twenty members may be soon gathered in other Branches.

Two or three of the Branches named below are not very active; but it is hoped that they will be resuscitated, and become vigorous, in the near future.

Malden, St. Paul's, Oct. 6, 1881	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	54 members.
Worcester, All Saints', Jan. 16, 1882	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	105 "
Lawrence, Grace Church, Jan. 4, 1883	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-
Boston, Good Shepherd, March 6, 1883	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	82 "
Boston, St. Paul's, May, 1883	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	47 "
Boston, Mission Church of St. John the Evangelist, June 6, 1883	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	145 "
Boston, Mission Church of St. John the Evangelist, Juvenile Branch	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	95 "
Dedham, Good Shepherd, Sept. 4, 1883	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	29 "
Peabody, St. Paul's, Dec. 6, 1883	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	23 "
Arlington, St. John's, Dec. 20, 1883	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	14 "
Longwood, Our Saviour, Feb. 17, 1883	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	43 "
Waltham, Christ Church (Adult and Juvenile)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100 "
Watertown	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20 "
Haverhill	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-
Boston, Chapel of the Evangelists	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-
Methuen, St. Thomas's, Juvenile	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-

Giving total membership reported of 757. To these may be added the 110 members of the Diocesan Society. If the Branches which have not reported muster 43 members between them, we have a total of 900 members in the Diocese. We are not able to state the number of total abstainers among these, but they are not less than one-third. These figures show that interest is being awakened; but after all they only serve, as it were, to whet the appetite, and set us asking, "If so many, why not many more?"

One thing which is felt to be a hindrance in the formation of Parochial Societies is the continually recurring question, "What are we to do with our Society when we have it? What work can it do?" It is a serious question; and if Parochial Societies were necessarily to be carried on upon the same lines, and with the same results, as the various Temperance and Total Abstinence Societies around, the Clergy might well shrink from embarking in any such ventures. We are daily gaining experience in this part of our work; and those who have already organized Societies can tell us of really practical and useful methods of work, and can point to good results achieved. It is with a view to answering the above question, and giving information and counsel for which there is no space in this report, that it is purposed to hold at an early date a conference upon "The Efficient Working of Parochial Societies." To this conference, the Clergy, the officers of all Parochial Societies, and any other persons interested, are cordially invited.

In this connection we may usefully call attention to the recently published manual of the Society, which can be obtained from the Secretary for the small sum of ten cents, and in which much information will be found. The Manual has been carefully prepared by the Executive Committee, for the especial use of Clergy and others desiring to form Parochial Societies.

Our financial condition is at present satisfactory. The expenses hitherto have not been very large, but they are daily increasing; and, if the work is to be prosecuted with vigor, contributions in the future must be liberal. There is a great need of literature suited for free distribution. We must do our part as a Diocese in contributing to the Central Fund in New York. The time also is drawing near when it will be necessary that an organizing Secretary shall be provided, who, for a sufficient remuneration, shall be able to give the whole or a large part of his time to the work of speaking, preaching, and forming Parochial Temperance Societies, either in our own Diocese alone, or in it in connection with some others. Without such an officer, the rapid growth of the Society will be almost impossible. The Clergy of the Church have at present but little knowledge of the need and nature of Temperance work in the Church, and less experience. It is imperatively necessary that there should be some one able to supply them with information for themselves, and with information and counsel, based upon experience, for work among their people. No Clergyman employed in the cares of a Parish or Mission has the needful time at his disposal. This matter will call for the immediate attention of the Executive Committee of the ensuing year.

Our receipts during the past year have been: Subscriptions of members, \$234; donations, \$140.50; collections in the Churches, \$76.15, collection at the Children's Meeting, \$15.87, contributions of Parochial Branches, \$8, and from the sale of publications, \$16.90 being a total of \$537.80. The expenditure has been: Cost of Meetings, \$78.65, postage, \$18.70; printing, \$116.73; publications from New York, \$32.73; and we have sent to the Central Fund, \$200, making a total of \$446.83, and leaving a balance in hand of \$90.97. Some other sums might be added to these, which have been sent, by individuals or local Branches, directly to the Central Fund in New York.

In conclusion, we would repeat, that the progress which this Report shows is only to be taken as an incentive to go forward: the work is but just begun; and, while its magnitude appals, it must also call us to more urgent effort.

Almost eighteen thousand persons in this Diocese were sent to prison last year for Intemperance, and not less than twelve hundred are at this time in prison for the same cause. Many of these belong to our Church, and hundreds of the children of our Church are daily exposed to temptation, suffering, and shame.

As citizens of this goodly Commonwealth, as members of a Missionary Church, as lovers of souls for whom Christ died, it is our duty to be up and doing our part, that neither the sin of encouragement of evil, nor the sin of indifference to it, may be laid at our door.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Executive Committee.

EDWARD W. OSBORNE, *Secretary*.

On motion, —

Resolved, That, in the election of Officers yet to be chosen at this meeting, balloting be dispensed with.

On motion, —

Resolved, That the Rev. Charles H. Learoyd be elected Treasurer of the Diocese.

On motion, —

Resolved, That the Rev. Edmund F. Slafter be elected Registrar of the Diocese.

The Report (pp. 78, 79) of the Committee to nominate persons to be appointed Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, action upon which at the time of its presentation had been deferred, was then taken up; and the persons therein nominated were declared to be appointed, and are as follows: —

To serve until October, 1884, —

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS.
" NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D.D.	" MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
" THOMAS F. FALES.	" JOHN MILTON PECK.
" CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.	" EMELIUS W. SMITH.
" LEANDER C. MANCHESTER.	ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
" ALFRED E. JOHNSON.	JOHN BLISS STEBBINS.
" HENRY F. ALLEN.	WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" CHARLES AREY, D.D.	JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
" LEONARD K. STORRS.	DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

Term of office to begin Oct. 1, 1884, —

The Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.

On motion, —

Resolved, That the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund be re-elected.

On motion, —

Resolved, That the Committee on Hospitality be re-elected.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, —

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars annually be appropriated for the expenses of the department of the Registrar, and that he report to the Convention annually his expenditures.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, —

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing consist of the Secretaries of the Convention, and that the Journal of the Convention be printed under their direction.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be instructed to have printed extra copies of the Bishop's Address, extra copies of the Report of the Registrar, and an edition of the Constitution and Canons.

The SECRETARY presented the following Report of the Committee on Printing: —

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

The Committee on Printing would respectfully report that the Journal of the Convention was printed under their direction, promptly and accurately, by the printers selected.

Several thousand copies of the Bishop's Address, in pamphlet form, were printed, and distributed to the parishes of the Diocese.

It is suggested that, if reprints of special Reports made to the Convention are desired, it will save money to do this while the Journal is in type.

JOSEPH JENKS, *Chairman*.

The SECRETARY presented the following communication from the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary of the House of Deputies:—

THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

To the Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

SIR,—In compliance with the requirements of Article 9 of the Constitution, I would hereby officially make known, through you, to the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts, that the following alterations of the Constitution of the Church are proposed, to wit. those comprised in the two resolutions subjoined, said resolutions having been constitutionally adopted by a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in the city of Philadelphia, Penn., in October, A. D. 1833; to wit:—

I. It was, by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal of Convention, pp. 240, 263, 276, 280),—

Resolved, That Articles 2 and 3 of the Constitution be amended by substituting the words "House of Deputies" for the word "Convention" in the fourteenth line of Article 2 of the Constitution as printed in the Digest of 1830, and that the words "House of Deputies" be, in like manner, substituted for the word "Convention" in the twelfth line of Article 3, as printed above:

So that the Articles shall read as follows:—

ARTICLE 2.

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity. Such representation shall consist of not more than four Clergymen and four Laymen, communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof; and in all questions when required by the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese, each Order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each Order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that Order. The concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House of Deputies. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint Lay Deputies, or if any of those of either Order appointed should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such Deputy or Deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the

Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

ARTICLE 3.

The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies composed of Clergy and Laity; and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases the House of Bishops shall signify to the House of Deputies their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing), within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and, in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member *ex officio*, and shall vote with the Clerical Deputies of the Diocese to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

II. It was, by concurrent action of the two Houses of Convention (*vide* Journal of Convention, pp. 130, 273, 274, 300-303), —

Resolved, That Article 4 of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word "and" in the third line of said Article, and inserting in place thereof the words following: —

"*Provided*, That, when a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese; and

"*Provided*, further, That, when a part of a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a new Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese, or, at his election, remain the Bishop of that part of such Jurisdiction not included in the new Diocese;" and leaving the residue of the said Article to stand as an independent paragraph:

So that the Article shall read as follows: —

ARTICLE 4.

The Bishop or Bishops in every Diocese shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of that Diocese; *Provided*, That, when a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese; and *Provided*, further, That, when a part of a Missionary Jurisdiction shall be organized as a new Diocese, the Bishop of such Jurisdiction shall become the Bishop of the new Diocese, or, at his election, remain the Bishop of that part of such Jurisdiction not included in the new Diocese.

Every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal Office to his proper Diocese, unless requested to ordain, or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal Office in another Diocese by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary of the House of Deputies.*

MEDFORD, Mass., April 14, 1884.

On motion of the Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D.D., —

Resolved, That the President be requested to appoint the Committee on the Celebration of the One Hundredth Year of the Convention, and to notify the members of their appointment, at his convenience.

The BISHOP appointed as such Committee, —

The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.	Mr. JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
" REGINALD H. HOWE.	" EDWARD B. COGSWELL, M.D.
" EDWARD ABBOTT.	

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW, —

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the authorities of Trinity Church, and to the Committee on Hospitality, whose kindness contributed so amply to the comfort and convenience of the members of this Convention.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the minutes and action thereon, and the usual devotional exercises, the Convention adjourn.

The minutes were read, and approved.

After Prayer and the Benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,
President of the Convention.

Attest:

WM. HENRY BROOKS,
Secretary.

LEANDER C. MANCHESTER,
Assistant Secretary.

APPENDIX A.

EXTRACT

FROM

Canon 17 (Title II.) of the General Convention.

*Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State
of the Church.*

SECTION 1.—As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church, or, if the parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his Parish or Church; also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the Communion alms, the contributions for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign, for Parochial Schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in the Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, ADAMS.

The Rev. HENRY HERBERT SMYTHE, *Rector*.

JOHN S. ADAMS and LAWRENCE HAWORTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 1; total, 22. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 18; total added, 21; died, 2; removed, 3; total lost, 5; present number, 61. Marriages, 14. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 116. Church: Value, \$32,000; sittings, 300. Chapel: Sittings, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.35. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$142.12; pew rents, \$1,365.75; subscriptions, \$525; donations, \$3; total, \$2,035.87. Sunday school, \$80. Increase and improvement of church property, Ladies' Aid Society, \$419.45. Other parochial objects: Christmas, \$130. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,691.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston (special), \$10; total for objects without the parish, \$25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Foreign missions in general, \$4.

Total of contributions, \$2,720.67.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, AMESBURY.

[No Rector.]

LANGDON L. WARD, *Lay Reader*.

JOSEPH PITCHFORTH and J. FRANK PEARSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 2; total added, 3; died, 3; removed, 20; total lost, 23; present number (estimated), 74. Marriages, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 240. School building: Value, \$700. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish (this includes the "Dorr" and the Kimbal Fund which is invested), \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$371.53; pew rents, \$300; subscriptions (insurance, \$70, and Christmas tree, \$6.70), \$76.70; steam heat, \$121.30; entertainments, \$185.45; entertainment of clergymen, \$5.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,060.48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Sufferers by flood in Ohio, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.

Total of contributions, including \$9.60 from Sunday school, \$1,091.08.

REMARKS.

Rev. A. W. Chapman closed his connection with this parish during the month of September, 1883, since which time the parish have taken hearty measures to keep the church open, in which efforts there has been eminent success. Clergymen and lay readers have been readily procured; the congregation has kept up, and there has appeared a renewed interest in all matters pertaining to the church.

During the latter part of the year a new steam-heating apparatus, towards which \$100 was readily subscribed, was placed in the edifice; a goodly number of settees was procured for the use of the chapel; and also the debt on the piano has been liquidated, — all of which has been accomplished since Oct. 1, 1883.

Mr. L. L. Ward, of the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, who has supplied the desk for a number of Sundays, received an unanimous call to become the rector the 1st of June, or upon ordination, which call has been accepted.

GRACE CHURCH, AMHERST.

The Rev. SAMUEL SNELLING, *Rector*.

HORACE WARD and O. G. COUCH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. **Communicants:** Admitted, 1; received, 5; total added, 6; died, 1; total lost, 1; present number, 85. **Funerals,** 1. **Sunday School:** Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 44. **Church:** Value, \$45,000; sittings, 550. **Chapel:** Sittings, 150. **Parsonage:** Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, about \$52,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$254.78. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$513.09; pew rents, \$1,001; other sources, \$124.48; total, \$1,638.57. Sunday School, \$51. Increase and improvement of church property, \$40. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,729.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$4.80. Christian or theological education, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$24.80.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.40. Domestic: Domestic Missions in general, \$40.37; missionary box sent to Indian Territory, value about \$50; church work among the Jews, \$7.25; church work among the Indians, \$8.76; sufferers by floods in Diocese of Southern Ohio, \$8.86. Foreign missions in general, \$6.18. Total for missionary contributions, \$138.82.

Total of contributions, \$1,893.19.

REMARKS.

The Rector entered upon his duties on the 1st of August last. He is happy to report many evidences of prosperity, temporal and spiritual.

The Bishop has not, during the present rectorship, made his visitation to the parish, and several candidates for confirmation await his coming at the end of this month.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANDOVER.

The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., *Rector*.

HORACE H. TYER and GEORGE H. POOR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms. Infants, 5; adults, 3; total, 8. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 3; total added, 8; died, 4; removed, 4; total lost, 8; present number, 107. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 82. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$3,375. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,375.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$49.96. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$283.45; pew rents, \$70; subscriptions, \$722.50; investments, \$504.12; total, \$1,580.07. Sunday school (Christmas and Easter festivals), \$45. Increase and improvement of church property, viz.: Burial-ground, \$191.25; lot, \$10. — \$201.25; flowers, \$2; rectory improvement, \$5; Young Christian Soldier, \$7.32, — \$14.32. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,807.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$18. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$18. Bible and Common Prayer-Book Society, \$3. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (from Sunday school), \$4. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston (from Sunday school), \$5; Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$5. Christian or Theological Education: General Theological Seminary building, \$10; Nashotah Theological Seminary, \$7; Theological Seminary, Faribault, \$4, — \$21. For sufferers by flood in Ohio, \$20.37. Calvary Church, Wadesboro, N.C., \$2, — \$22.37. Total for objects without the parish, \$64.37.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$41.54. General offerings for foreign and domestic missions, Lenten collection (from Sunday school), \$5.60; from parish, \$10.53, — \$16.13. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$7; Thanksgiving day collection for missions to colored people, \$6.35; Sunday school to White Earth (Indian) Mission, \$5; Sunday school to Salt Lake City Mission, \$5; Sunday school to missions in Washington Territory, \$5; Sunday school to Rev. Mr. Babbitt's mission in South Carolina, \$5; value of parish box sent to White Earth Mission, \$90; freight on box, \$4.15; total, \$133.50. Foreign: Foreign Missions in general, \$8.77; mission to the Jews, \$4, Sunday school to the Bishop's College, China, \$5; Sunday school to the mission in Japan, \$5; Miss Bruce's salary, Shanghai, China, \$8.50; total, \$31.27. Total for missionary contributions, \$222.44.

Total of contributions, \$2,214.41.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

The Rev. CHARLES MORRIS ADDISON, *Rector*.

JOHN W. SUTER and DANIEL DULANY ADDISON, *Lay-Readers*.

WILLIAM WILSON and GARDNER S. CHAPIN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 4; total, 14. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 41; total added, 55. Removed, 16; total

lost, 16; present number, 92. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 66. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 160. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$133.88. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$351.39; subscriptions, \$609.10; donations, \$100; total, \$1,060.49. Sunday school, \$75.46. Increase and improvement of church property, \$268.35. Other parochial objects, \$75. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,613.18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.05. Domestic missions in general (through Sunday school), \$2; Church Society for promoting Christianity amongst the Jews, \$6; Ladies' Aid Society (through Woman's Auxiliary), five boxes to Indian, Freedmen, and Domestic Missions, \$262.30; St. Mary's Guild (children) and Sunday school, two boxes to Indian and Domestic Missions, \$40, — \$310.30. Total for missionary contributions, \$327.35.

Total of contributions, \$1,940.53.

REMARKS.

The growth of the parish during the past year has been marked. Negotiations have been concluded for the purchase of a lot of land adjoining the church. The interior of the church has been frescoed, and the outside painted. The Rector's salary has been increased from \$400 to \$800, and the support heretofore derived from the Diocesan Board of Missions has been dispensed with. The parish has entered into union with the Convention. Notwithstanding that the parish has lost several of its oldest and most valuable members, including those transferred to the newly established Mission at Lexington, the list of communicants has nearly doubled since the last report, and the interest in every department of the work has largely increased. The Ladies' Aid Society has done a noble work, and been ably seconded by the Children's Guild. A branch of the Church Temperance Society has been organized.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.

The Rev. CHARLES W. DUFFIELD, *Missionary*.

MOSES COOK and ADDISON G. HALL, *Church-Wardens*.

Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 2; total added, 3; present number, 30. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 12. Church: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, about \$60.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Ladies' Sewing Circle, box for Dakota League, \$25; Sunday-school missionary box for Dakota League, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$28.

Total of contributions, \$88.

REMARKS.

The above report is not even an approximate showing of the work done in and by the parish, for the reason that it makes the last half of the year,

when only occasional services were held by a non-resident minister, furnished the data for the entire year; whereas, up to November last, services were regularly held by the Rev. Lewis Green, the venerated rector of St. John's for seventeen years.

Mr. Green's feeble health obliged him to relinquish parish work. The many expressions of esteem let fall by his people prove their regard for him, and that he carries their love into his retirement.

The members of the parish are now desirous of having a settled minister.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEVERLY.

The Rev. WILLIAM J. W. FINLAY, *Officiating Minister*.

JOHN D. LOVETT and AUSTIN D. KILHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 8; total, 14. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Total added, 8; died, 6; present number, 65. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 87. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 231. Rectory Fund, \$2,200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,100; subscriptions, \$425; other sources, \$125; total, \$1,650. Sunday school, \$29. Parochial missions, \$65. Repairs of church, \$560. Christmas and Easter festivals, \$34. Rectory Fund, \$170. Other objects, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,558.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28. Convention Fund, \$10. Beverly Deaf and Dumb School, \$20. Kindergarten for the Blind, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$68.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic: For Jewish mission, 4. Total for missionary contributions, \$14.

Total of contributions, \$2,640.

REMARKS.

Of the foregoing contributions, \$880 came from the Ladies' sale held during the summer.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, *Rector*.

The Rev. EDWARD BENEDICT, *Assistant*.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D., and HORATIO BIGELOW, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 32; adults, 21; total, 53. Confirmed, 36. Communicants: Present number, 307. Marriages, 20. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 133.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$10,200.69; investments and other sources, \$57.73; total, \$10,258.42. Sunday school, \$201.29. Offerings for the poor: By the Ladies' Guild, \$191; through Alms-boxes, \$329.51; from other sources, \$420.85; total, \$941.86. Increase and improvement of church prop-

erty: For Sunday-school building, \$3,000. Other parochial objects, viz.: For the altar, by the Altar Society, \$849; rood screen, altar rail, cross, \$1,209.34; church furniture, etc., \$539,—\$1,748.34; for organ, \$1,000. Sisterhood of the Nativity, \$967. Total for objects within the parish, \$18,965.41.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$135. Convention Fund, \$30. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$20. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$15. Erection of churches and chapels, and for other objects without the parish, \$127. Total for objects without the parish, \$327.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100; St. Mary's Orphanage, \$50. Domestic missions: Wisconsin, \$121.65; hospital in California, \$30; Pueblo, \$20; work among colored people, South, \$70; Mission work, Fond du Lac, \$70.75; Indiana, \$35; work among the Indians, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$537.40.

Total of contributions, \$19,829.81.

REMARKS.

. The division of the parish rendered a revision of the list of communicants necessary. I have returned the number of those only, who, since the opening of the new Church on Mount Vernon Street, have become stated worshippers and Communicants, and have placed themselves under my pastoral care. During the past year the attendance on Sundays has been very large. It is a matter of thankfulness that the offertory for the general expenses has equalled the average for the same purposes of the decade of 1870-80, and has been sufficient to meet the expenses, and to place \$500 aside towards an endowment fund. Large additions have been made to the church usefulness by the erection of a Sunday-school building, and by various large donations towards the completion and furnishing of the chancel.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, *Rector*.

HENRY M. SNELL and THOMAS MAIR, *Church-Wardens and Lay Readers*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 3; total, 12. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 20; received, 4; total added, 24; died, 3; removed, 4; total lost, 7; present number, 154. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 98; total, 115.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$134.62. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,871.36. Sunday school, \$72.65. Increase and improvement of church property, \$808.25. Christmas festival, Sunday school, \$59.83. Chancel Society, \$57. Special for the needy, \$30. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,033.71.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$18. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$15. Christian or theological education, \$14.60. American Church Building Fund, \$9.35. Ohio flood sufferers, \$7.60. Ladies' Aid Society: box, flood sufferers, \$60; box, theological education, \$40. Total for objects without the parish, \$199.55.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.35. Domestic missions in general: Offering, \$11; missionary work in California, \$22.93; Ladies' Aid Society, \$12; Sunday school for Washington Territory, \$16.85; Sunday-school offering, \$5.99; Ladies' Aid box, value, \$52; total,

\$120.77. Foreign missions in general: Offering, \$9; Sunday school, \$4.75; total, \$13.75. Total for missionary contributions, \$152.67.
Total of contributions, \$3,386.13.

REMARKS.

The removing of the Church to Ashmont, which was reported last year, has proved to be wise in every way. The congregations have increased to that extent that we have been obliged to provide further accommodations. This is now being effected by an addition to the Church, which will furnish about seventy sittings more, and will be completed by the middle of June. This addition is so arranged that it may, hereafter, be used as a Parish Room, when the present building shall become our Chapel.

The lot on which the Church stands has been deeded to "The Trustees of Donations."

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE, *Rector*.

JOHN FOX and F. J. MUNROE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 58; adults, 1; total, 59. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Admitted, 19; received, 2; total added, 21; died, 5; present number, 215. Marriages, 47. Funerals, 52. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 215. Church: Value, \$30,000; sittings, 700. Estates, \$28,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$58,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$500; pew rents, \$325; total, \$825. Sunday school: Sunday collections, \$93.32; other sources, \$50; total, \$143.32. Given to poor children for clothes, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$998.32.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic, \$20.

Total of contributions, \$1,018.32.

REMARKS.

This ancient Parish is prospering, and the congregations on Sunday steadily increasing. We hope to do a good work the coming year. We have given nothing scarcely for missions, and other important objects. We trust to do our whole duty in the future.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, *Rector*.

JOHN HOGG and HOWARD P. ARNOLD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 8; total, 18. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Total added, 40; died, 2; removed, 30; total lost, 32; present number, 336. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers, teachers, and scholars, 250. Parochial school: Teacher, 1; scholars, 45.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$920.30. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$11,786.76; subscriptions, \$700; total, \$12,486.76. Sunday school, \$222.56. Parochial mis-

ions, \$1,488.21. Increase and improvement of church property, \$12,437.15. Other parochial objects, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$27,604.98.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$288. Convention Fund, \$97.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$133.10. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$1,054.23. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$50. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$25. Christian and Theological Education, \$300. Erection of Churches and Chapels, \$200. Law and Order League, \$100. Women's Free Hospital, \$100. House of Good Samaritan, \$100. Sufferers by flood in Ohio, \$388.74. By Dorcas Society, \$993.65. Total for objects without the parish, \$3,830.22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$892.82; churches within Diocese, \$635; total, \$1,527.82. Domestic missions in general, \$878.88; by Women's Missionary Department, \$619.55; by Women's Missionary Department, \$11.50; by Young Women's Guild, \$418.15; by Sunday school, \$197.83; total, \$2,125.91. Foreign missions in general, \$,036.37; by Women's Missionary Department, \$992.55; total, \$2,028.92. Total of missionary contributions, \$5,682.65.

Total of contributions, \$37,117.85.

CHAPEL OF THE EVANGELISTS, BOSTON.

The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, *Minister.*

PAUL BARBON WATSON, *Lay Reader.*

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adult, 1; total, 23. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 13; received, 23; total added, 36; died, 1; removed, 8; total, 9; present number, 125. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 26. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 30; scholars, 225. Industrial school: Teachers, 16; scholars, 206. Sewing-school: Teachers, 10; scholars, 85.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$46.81. Collections in church, \$329.74; donations, \$313.35; lecture course, \$33.95; Sale, \$151; total, \$828.04. Sunday school, \$82.08. Industrial school, \$165.-. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,121.34.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5; special, 10; total, \$15. Domestic missions in general: Bishop Paddock, Washington Territory, \$23; Rev. Mr. Cain, \$ 6; box, Washington Territory, value 20; box, North Carolina, value \$75; Woman's Auxiliary, \$2.50, — \$126.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$141.50.

Total of contributions, \$1,262.84.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT, *Rector.*

D. WILLIAMS FRENCH and ROBERT H. RICHARDS, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 35; adults, 9; total, 44. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Present number, 280. Marriages, 29. Funerals, 33. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 217.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$720.55; Ice-chest, \$40.84. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offer-

ings at the offertory, \$2,814.85; subscriptions, \$333; donations, \$200; other sources, \$107; total, \$3,454.85. Sunday school, \$85.27. New church carpet, \$437.70. Parish journal, \$40. Sunday-school festivals at Christmas and Easter, \$100. Other various objects, \$21.63. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,920.84.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$59.50. Convention Fund, \$27. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$5. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$10.30. Christian or theological education, \$15.59. Erection of churches and chapels, \$20. Sufferers from Western floods, \$78. Total for objects without the parish, \$220.39.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$102.36. Domestic missions in general, \$32.15; missions to Indians and Freedmen, \$44.01; missions to the Jews, \$41.51; total, \$117.67. Foreign missions in general, \$35.64. Total for missionary contributions, \$255.67.

Total of contributions, \$5,396.90.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE HICKMAN BUCK, *Missionary.*

WALTER E. C. SMITH, *Lay Reader.*

Baptisms: Infants, 36; adult, 1; total, 37. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Present number, 125. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 31. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 185. Church: Sitzings, 350. Chapel: Sitzings, 125. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$125. All current expenses: Collections in church, \$642.77; donations for poor and Sunday school, \$106; other sources, \$50, total, \$798.77. Sunday school, \$59.82. Increase and improvement of church property, net proceeds of "sale" held in Easter week, \$306.95. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,290.54.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.62. Sufferers by floods in West, \$17.50; for the Jews, \$4.75; for domestic missions in general, \$4.21; Easter offering of Sunday school for Bishop Walker, \$18; total, \$44.46. Foreign missions in general, \$7.67; Easter offering of Sunday school for China, \$18; total, \$25.67. Total for missionary contributions, \$90.75.

Total of contributions, \$1,391.29.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector.*

The Rev. MONTGOMERY HUNT THROOP, Jun., *Assistant.*

JAMES F. SAYER, Jun., *Lay Reader.*

CAUSTEN BROWNE and SAMUEL RICE, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 34; adults, 9; total, 43. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 17; received, 8; total added, 25; died, 9; removed, 10; total

19; present number, 340. Marriages, 22. Funerals, 22. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 118. Church: Value, \$30,000; seats, 650. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$37,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$8,713.74. Sunday school, \$200. Parochial missions, \$50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,000. For Altar Society, \$71.11. Poor, \$500. Ladies' Aid Society, \$22.77. Flowers, \$60. By Guild, \$100. By Sunday school, \$72.07. Total for objects within the parish, \$10,694.61.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$105. Episcopal Relief Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$16.67. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$30.02. Total for objects without the parish, \$151.69.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40.47. Total of contributions, \$10,949.10.

ST. ANNE'S CHAPEL (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. JOSHUA RINDGE PEIRCE, *Minister in charge.*

Communications: Infants, 12; adults, 2; total, 14. Confirmed, 6. Communion: Admitted, 6; received, 8; total added, 14; died, 2; removed, 12; total, 14; present number, about 116. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,919.85; from sales, \$288.82; total, \$2,208.67. Sunday school, not including missionary offerings, \$43.35. Christmas festival and decorations, \$60. Easter festival and decorations, \$28. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,340.02.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Mississippi sufferers, \$25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15. Domestic missions in general, \$15; Sunday-school Lenten and Easter offerings, \$16; Sunday-school quarterly missionary collections, Foreign and Domestic, \$8.55; mission to Jews, \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$15. Total for missionary contributions, \$79.55.

Total of contributions, \$2,444.57.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH (ROXBURY), BOSTON.

The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, *Rector.*

EDMUND S. ROUSMANIERE, *Lay Reader.*

The Rev. J. R. PEIRCE, *Minister in charge of St. Anne's Chapel.*

CLAM RAYMOND LEE and ATHERTON T. BROWN, *Church-Wardens.*

Communications: Infants, 11; adults, 6; total, 17. Confirmed, 16. Communion: Present number, 290. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$430. current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$6,308.07. Sunday school \$442.83. Increase and improvement of church property, \$2,329.27. Parochial missions. See report of St. Anne's Chapel. Young Woman's Society, \$150. Employment Society, \$204.60. Benevolent Society, \$329. Christmas decorations, \$50. Employment Society, \$39.25. Church decorations, \$439.84. Sunday-school festivals, \$150. Helping Hand Society, \$81. Total for objects within the parish, \$10,955.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$180. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$49.43. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$44.76. Erection of churches and chapels, \$50. Ohio floods: For Bishop Jagger, \$77.80; from A. T. B., \$50. Total for objects without the parish, \$451.99.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$27.34; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$63.15; total, \$90.49. Domestic missions in general, \$47.46; Indian missions (scholarships), \$120; Helping Hand, Indian mission (St. Paul's School), \$66; Helping Hand for Freedmen, \$35.25; Helping Hand for South Groveland, \$37.45; for Rev. A. Crummell, D.D., Washington, \$30; total, \$336.13. Foreign missions in general, \$60.75. Mexican missions, \$5; missions in China, \$60; total, \$125.75. Total for missionary contributions, \$552.37.

Total of contributions, \$11,959.93.

REMARKS.

The above report does not include the statistics of St. James's Mission, known as St. Anne's Chapel, which continues its good work under the care of Rev. J. R. Peirce, minister in charge.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (CHARLESTOWN), BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILIP W. SPRAGUE, *Rector.*

GEORGE N. FISHER and FLORIMOND A. DOWNING, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 39; adults, 4; total, 43. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Present number, 325. Marriages, 30. Funerals, 44. Sunday school: 300 scholars. Church: Value (say), \$40,000; sittings, nearly 500. Chapel: Value (say), \$10,000; sittings, nearly 300. Dwelling-houses: Value, \$2,200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$52,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$130. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$356.64; pew rents, \$1,720.84; donations, \$2,292.62; investments, \$417.70; total, \$4,787.50. Sunday school, \$170.14. Increase and improvement of church property, \$125. Work of St. John's Guild, \$330.35. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,551.99.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.

Total of contributions, \$5,617.99.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST BOSTON.

[No Report.]

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (HIGHLANDS), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, *Rector*.

The Rev. BENJAMIN SMITH SANDERSON, *Assistant*.

JOHN FORSYTH and JOHN MACCONNELL, M.D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 55; adults, 2; total, 57. **Confirmed,** 15. **Communicants:** Present number, about 300. **Marriages,** 9. **Funerals,** 26. **Sunday School:** Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 345.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms-chest and communion alms, \$58.-25. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,546.38. For the Christmas festival, \$37.18. For flowers at church festivals, \$33.75. For Employment Society, \$28.93. Special for church purposes (\$27 and \$26), \$53. For alterations on church building, \$827.92. For "Bell Fund," \$2.16. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,587.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Sufferers by Ohio flood, \$20.08. Total for objects without the parish, \$95.08.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.79. Domestic missions in general, \$33.07. From Sunday school (for scholarship in Niobrara, Indian mission, \$60; to be appropriated, \$58.48), \$118.48. For the Jews, \$3. Foreign missions in general, \$31.45; for support of bed in hospital, Wuchang, China, \$30; for Miss Bruce's salary, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$250.79.

Total of contributions, \$3,933.44.

REMARKS.

A box of clothing has been sent to Africa, of the value of \$75; and a box of household linen, made up, has been sent to the House of Rest, Charleston, S.C., valued at \$65, — both from the missionary chapter of St. John's Guild. The Bishop Whipple class of the Sunday school has prepared and sent to the Leech Lake Mission, Minnesota, a box valued at \$35.14.

Fourteen women have received work from the Employment Society.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (JAMAICA PLAIN), BOSTON.

The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, *Rector*.

JOHN W. MCKIM and E. BERTRAND SAMPSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 4; total, 12. **Confirmed,** 13. **Communicants:** Admitted, 13; received, 19; total added, 32; died, 1; removed 13; total lost, 14; present number, 276. **Marriages,** 5. **Funerals,** 7. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 189. **Church:** Value, \$50,000; sittings, 540. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$50,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$288.05. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$206.-22; pew rents, \$4,687.27; total, \$4,893.48. Sunday school, \$145. Increase and improvement of church property, \$2,076.65. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,403.18.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$87.50. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$15. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$50. Christian or theological education, \$55. For other objects without the parish, \$85. Total for objects without the parish, \$380.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$95. For Lucy Lee Chickerling Memorial Fund, \$5. Domestic missions in general, \$55.81. Indian missions: Bishop Hare, \$50; Bishop Whipple, \$50. Missions in Alaska, \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$25; for salary of Miss Bruce, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$300.81.

Total of contributions, \$8,083.99.

REMARKS.

During the year the Parish Missionary Association has sent three boxes in aid of Mrs. Buford's work in Virginia, of the aggregate value of \$200.

The penny missionary collection, asked for by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Sunday school, has amounted to something over \$6; making the total of contributions \$8,089.99.

MISSION CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, BOSTON.

The Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, *Minister.*

The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE, *Assistant.*

Baptisms: Infants, 91; adults, 12; total, 103. Confirmed, 38. Communicants: Admitted, 46; received, 106; total added, 152; died, 3; removed, 3; total lost, 6; present number, 424. Marriages, 17. Funerals, 45. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 285. Colored Mission School: Teachers, 6; scholars, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms for the poor, \$939.38. All current expenses, including support of Clergy: Offerings at the offertory, \$6,332.56; alms-boxes, \$185.85; total, \$6,518.43. Sunday school, \$271.16. Parish library, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,828.97.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$56.26. New York Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$9.26. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$72.87. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$36.35. Christian or Theological Education, \$250. St. Margaret's Home, \$1,066.40. St. Mary's Orphanage, Lowell, \$88.06. St. Mary's Orphanage, East Providence, \$72.87. Associated Charities of Boston, \$158. The Country Week, \$160. Sufferers from floods in Southern Ohio, \$115.43. Orphanage at Haverhill, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$2,110.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$142.31; St. Margaret's, Brighton, \$50; Christ Church, Plymouth, \$10; total, \$202.31. Domestic Missions in general, \$50.75; Diocese of Tennessee, \$102.20; Diocese of Western Texas, \$223.28; Anaheim, Cal., \$20; Champlain, N.Y., \$45; Biddeford, Me., \$20; Rockland, Me., \$10; Columbia, Tenn., \$5; Church Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$30.29; through Dakota League, \$133.51; total, \$640.03. Foreign Missions in general, \$40; Japan, \$87.83; China, \$15; S. S., J. E. Missions in India, \$25; total, \$167.63. Offerings for Missions at Children's Services, \$88.34. Total for missionary contributions, \$1,098.51.

Total of contributions, \$11,087.98.

REMARKS.

The number of Communicants returned is that of the Communion actually made on Easter Day. While it is considerably in excess of the names which have been formerly registered as "Admitted" or "Received," it is a fair approximation to the number regularly attached to the Mission Church. A Colored Mission School was opened in February, for which better accommodation has now been secured in the chapel on Anderson Street, which will henceforth be known as St. Philip's Mission Room.

A Parochial Branch of the Church Temperance Society was organized in June, and now numbers 149 members. A Juvenile Temperance Society has been formed more recently, with 95 members.

A Parochial Branch of the Girls' Friendly Society, known as St. Mary's Guild, has been found a happy and useful bond of union between the young people themselves and with some older persons, as well as being (which is its primary intention) a help in their Christian life. There are now forty-eight members of the Ward.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH (BRIGHTON), BOSTON.

The Rev. AUGUSTUS PRIME, *Rector*.

JOHN H. STURGIS and CHARLES P. GARDINER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 20. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 9; total added, 17; died, 5; removed, 5; total lost, 10; present number, 112. **Marriages,** 2. **Funerals,** 11. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 85. **Church:** Value, \$4,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,210.80; donations, \$140; other sources (Diocesan Board of Missions), \$200; total, \$1,550.80. Sunday school, \$19.79. Sick and poor, and church decorations, Christmas and Easter, \$47.23. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,617.82.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12. Sufferers by floods in Southern Ohio, \$12.08. Total for objects without the parish, \$24.08.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Domestic: Indian missions, from Sunday school, \$8.60; Missions in general, at Children's Service, sent to Women's Auxiliary, \$3.77; Missions to Jews, \$1.22. Total for missionary contributions, \$41.59.

Total of contributions, \$1,683.49.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, *Rector*.

JAMES S. BURBANK and WILLIAM B. LEARNED, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 12; total added, 23; died, 7; removed, 15; total lost, 22; present number, 226. **Marriages,** 9. **Funerals,** 12. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 115.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$195.38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,-

\$651.16; collections in church, \$589.58; subscriptions, \$100; donations, \$450; other sources, \$50; total, \$2,840.74. Sunday school, \$108. Other parochial objects, viz.: By Ladies' Parish Aid Society, \$57.70; special for the poor, \$31.51; special parochial uses, \$45. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,278.33.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$23.96. Free Church Association, \$18.79. Christ Hospital, New Jersey, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$57.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions in general, \$35; Church mission for the Jews, \$6.25; Indian missions, \$14; total, \$55.25. Foreign missions in general, \$4.50; Bridgman Memorial School, Shanghai, \$40; total, \$44.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$99.75.

Total of contributions, \$3,435.83.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. L. W. SALTONSTALL, *Rector*.

JOHN P. CLAPP and DANIEL B. STEDMAN, Jun., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; adults, 2; total, 18. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Present number, 170. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 10.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$340.43. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$348.94; collections in church, \$447.99; pew rents, \$1,695.10; donations, \$637.83; total, \$3,124.86. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,465.29.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$14.52. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$4. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$11. Christian or Theological Education, \$17.96. Ohio sufferers, \$42. Total for objects without the parish, \$88.88.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40.42. Domestic missions in general, \$182.77; Indian, \$163.50; Freedmen, \$64.65; total, \$410.92. Foreign missions in general, \$31.86. Total for missionary contributions, \$533.20.

Total of contributions, \$4,087.37.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (FOR SAILORS), BOSTON

[No Report.]

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, *Rector*.

The Rev. ALFRED FOSTER WASHBURN, *Assistant*.

DAVID CLAPP and HENRY W. NELSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 95; adults, 8; total, 103. Confirmed, 31. Communicants: Admitted, 31; received, 35; total added, 66; died, 25; removed, 80; total lost, 105; present number, 403. Marriages, 30. Funerals, 54. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 250. Parochial school: Teachers, 13; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 660. Chapel: Sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$192.29. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,198.41; pew rents, \$2,179.43; donations, \$858.63; total, \$4,236.47. Sunday school, \$225. Offerings of St. Matthew's Chapel Sunday school, \$36.32. Offerings of St. Matthew's Chapel, \$82.17. Donation to St. Matthew's Chapel, \$84.36. Benevolent Society, \$60. Rector's Bible Class, for various objects, \$125. Miscellaneous objects, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,111.61.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70. Convention Fund, \$30. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25. Associated Charities, \$27. Total for objects without the parish, \$152.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.30. Domestic missions: Jewish Missions, \$13.50; flood sufferers at West, \$52; St. Matthew's Chapel, for flood sufferers, \$4.20; Missions to the Jews, \$13.50; St. Matthew's Chapel, for the Jews, \$2.39; for Indian and other Missions, St. Matthew's Chapel, \$9.21; Missionary box for the West, \$50; to Church at Anaheim, Cal., \$5. Foreign: "Rosa Nicholson" bed in China, \$30; "John Wright" Scholarship at Jaffa, \$25; "Joseph H. Clinch" Scholarship in Africa, \$25. Total for missionary contributions, \$230.10.

Total of contributions, \$5,493.71.

REMARKS.

We have met with serious losses during the year by the removal of several active Church families from South Boston. The Communicants' roll has been thoroughly revised, and the number of Communicants reported above is the actual number now connected with the Church. At Easter a floating debt of five hundred dollars was paid, and the parish is free from any encumbrance. On the same occasion the Rector's Bible Class presented an Eagle lectern, and a liberal-minded woman in the congregation gave a beautiful white altar-cloth. During the year the Assistant Minister has sustained a Sunday School and Evening Service at St. Matthew's Chapel at City Point. The Sunday School is in a more flourishing condition than at any other time in its history, and there has been a fair attendance at the Evening Service. The Chapel people hold \$775.00 toward a new Church.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D., *Rector.*

The Rev. JOHN A. BEVINGTON and the Rev. JAMES B. DRYSDALE,
Assistants.

HENRY A. TURNER and JOSEPH W. WOODS, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 5; total, 26. Confirmed, 25. Communicants: Admitted, 26; received, 16; total added, 42; died, 5; removed, 3; total lost, 8; present number, 333. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 22. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 216. Mission Sunday school: Teachers, 5; scholars, 33. Church: Sitzings, 850. Chapel: Sitzings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, say \$350,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$843.34. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Church poor, \$31.88; offerings at the offertory, \$867.84; pew rents and taxes, \$13,844.62; investments, \$1,391.78; total, \$16,136.12. Sunday school, \$217.71; assistant clerical ser-

vice, \$3,000; Parochial missions, \$2,915.63; Church debt, \$23,536.37; furniture, \$510; Day Nursery, \$66.50; Advisory Board, \$117.82; Industrial Society, \$526.15; for Rector's disposal, \$1,017.58; total, \$31,907.86. Total for objects within the parish, \$48,887.32.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$80.91. Convention Fund, \$120. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$206.50. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$399.88. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$120.76. Erection of churches and chapels, \$400. New England Divorce Reform League, \$50. Total for objects without the parish, \$1,358.06.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$83.04. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,419.41; Donation to Missionary Clergymen, \$50; total, \$1,552.45. Domestic missions in general, \$461.90. Church Society for promoting Christianity amongst the Jews, \$125.53; Church work in Minnesota, \$185; Colorado, \$203, Virginia, \$109.51; Utah and Indiana, \$349.20; Tennessee, \$250; Washington Territory, \$100; South Carolina, \$100; Freedmen, \$90; flood sufferers, \$100; total, \$1,592.24. Foreign missions in general, \$1,410.27; India, \$660.69; China, \$50; Mexico, \$85; France, \$43.25; Italy, \$100; total, \$638.94. Total for missionary contributions, \$5,955.80.

Total of contributions, \$56,201.17.

REMARKS.

The Parishioners of St. Paul's Church have been far more liberal in every way than the Rector ventured to hope they might be. They have not only paid off the floating debt which had been hampering them for some years, but also provided abundantly for Clerical assistance during the year; and also paid the rent, furnishing, and expenses, of a Mission House and Day Nursery; while the contributions to Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign Missions all show a most gratifying increase. The Church has been enriched and beautified with various gifts, while an increasing reverence and devoutness are very perceptible in the worshippers. There are abundant reasons to humbly and gratefully believe that God's blessing is richly resting upon the Parish.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., *Rector.*

The Rev. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN and the Rev. REUBEN KIDNER,
Assistants.

CHARLES HENRY PARKER and CHARLES RUSSELL CODMAN, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 23; adults, 9; total, 32. Confirmed, 48. Communicants: Present number, about 1,000. Marriages, 24. Funerals, 30. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 55; scholars, 537. Sewing school: Teachers, 28, scholars, 180. Industrial classes in sewing, mending, cooking, house-keeping, etc., at Trinity House. Scholars, 150; day nursery, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$2,617.84. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$25,760. Sunday school, \$885. Parish Library, \$198.73. Sewing school, \$185.95. Charitable Societies of the parish, \$4,836. Increase and improvement of church property, \$2,000. Trinity House, \$3,814.82. Total for objects within the parish, \$40,298.34.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$2,162.54. Massachusetts Bible Society, \$797.30. Trinity Free Bed in Women's Hospital, \$1,038. Sufferers by Western floods, \$1,132.30. Hospital for incurables, \$1,592. Miscellaneous, \$2,690.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$9,412.64.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$125. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,500, — \$1,625. Domestic missions in general, \$3,096.50. Indian Missions, \$1,523.07. Freedmen's Missions, \$748. Sunday school, for Domestic Missions, \$453.86, — \$5,821.43. Foreign missions in general, \$3,547.75. Sunday school, for foreign missions, \$342.36, — \$5,890.11. Total for missionary contributions, \$13,336.54.

Total of contributions, \$63,047.52.

REMARKS.

The work at the Chapel of the Evangelists, under the charge of Trinity Church, will be reported by the Rev. Reuben Kidner, Assistant Minister.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

The Rev. J. MILTON PECK, *Rector.*

JOSEPH B. FOBES, M.D., and JOHN W. BURT, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 4; total, 12. **Confirmed,** 8. **Communicants:** Added, 13; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 60. **Marriages,** 2. **Funerals,** 7. **Sunday school:** Teachers, 4; scholars, 24; Bible-class, 24. **Church, now building:** Value, \$7,000; sittings, 224. **Rectory:** Value, \$1,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion alms and special offerings, \$116.93; weekly offertory, \$634.87; individual donation, \$319; investments, etc., \$202.61. Sunday-school library Fund, \$20. Church building Fund, \$3,716. Treasury of Parish Guild, \$28.15. Sunday-school offerings, \$6.92. Work of Guild, \$30. Total contributions, \$5,074.48.

All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,206.54. Sunday-school purposes, \$31.97. General Board Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$10.50. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$47.96. Convention Expenses, \$5. General Clergy relief, \$6. Conversion of the Jews, \$4.70. Sufferers by flood in Ohio, \$13.50. Subscriptions for new church within the parish, \$3,716. Indian missions, money and work, \$32.31. Total, \$5,074.48.

REMARKS.

Under peculiar trials and hinderances, the brave spirit and sacrificing zeal of this united congregation, with their faithful attendance upon public worship, show a steadfastness of purpose which has been met with much generous kindness from many friends in and out of the Diocese.

The new church building is fast reaching its completion; and, unless a mortgage of a few hundred dollars becomes necessary, will be ready (D. V.) for consecration by the 1st of August.

At the Easter meeting a local Vestry was chosen; indicating, with other tokens, the hopeful prospect of this venerable parish's re-assuming, at an early day, its former position of strength and influence in the Diocese.

The kindly interest in, and apparent longing for, the Church in this beautiful town, increasing with our progress, still lead its friends and workers pleasantly to anticipate the opening of the door of a new House of the Lord, and the adding of one more to the *free churches* in our land.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROCKTON.

The Rev. SAMUEL HODGKISS, *Missionary*.ALEXANDER F. BURDON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 6; total added, 11; died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7; present number, 35. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 58. Chapel: Value, \$1,200; sittings, 140. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$15. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$681.45. Increase and improvement of church property, paid-up mortgage and interest, \$1,110.02. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,806.47.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$30. Domestic missions in general, \$14. Total for missionary contributions, \$44.

Total of contributions, \$1,850.47.

REMARKS.

The past year has been one of great spiritual and temporal prosperity for this mission.

It has fallen to the lot of the present Missionary to report, that, for the first time in the history of the Church in this city, it stands free of debt.

Great peace and harmony prevails among the people, who seem to be quite disposed to take advantage of the opportunities offered for Church work such as have never before been presented.

Being grateful for past and present success, we hope, through God's blessing, for greater things in the future.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLINE.

The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORRS, *Rector*.HENRY S. CHASE and THOMAS PARSONS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 300. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$634.00. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$900; pew rents, \$4,549.72; donations, \$300; investments, \$24.13; total, \$5,673.85. Sunday school, \$95.54. Increase and improvement of church property, \$5,180; poor at Thanksgiving, \$82.65; Sunday-school Christmas tree, \$70.93. Total for objects within the parish, \$11,737.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$191. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$151.96. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$150. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$250. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$30. Christian or Theological Education, \$1,500. Ladies' Work Society, \$110.97. Bishop Jaggard, Western floods, \$105. Church Building Fund, \$1,000. Total for objects without the parish, \$3,526.43.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$553.96. Domestic missions in general, \$391.18; Special: to Bishop Tuttle, \$470; to

lians, \$236.84; to Bishop Brewer, \$467; Jewish Mission, \$40.75. Foreign missions in general, \$409.31; Sunday school, for scholarship in China, 1. Total for missionary contributions, \$2,624.06.

Total of contributions, \$17,888.06.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, EAST CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. JAMES EDWARD WILKINSON, *Missionary*.

JAMES WILLARD PRESTON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; adults, 1; total, 17. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 6; total added, 15; died, 3; removed, 7; total lost, 10; present number, 109. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$246.01; other sources, \$85.30; total, \$31.81. Sunday school, \$53.53. Increase of Building Fund, \$216.54. Total for objects within the parish, \$601.38.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, \$11.70. To Bishop Jaggar, for flood sufferers, \$12.05. Special offering, \$50. Total for objects without the parish, \$73.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$19.67. Domestic missions in general, \$5.36; work among the Jews, \$5.78, — \$11.14. Total for missionary contributions, \$30.81.

Total of contributions, \$705.94.

REMARKS.

The Mission has suffered much in the past year from removals; especially families, who, while not Communicants, attended the services of the church. Over \$200 have been added to the Building Fund. The great and pressing need of the Mission is a Church: without one, its work will prove failure.

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. JAMES FIELD SPALDING, *Rector*.

GUSTAVUS TUCKERMAN, *Lay Reader*.

AMUEL BATCHELDER and JAMES GREENLEAF CROSWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 28; adults, 4; total, 32. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: Admitted, 21; received, 11; total added, 32; died, 4; removed, 10; total lost, 14; net gain, 18; present number, 238. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 160. Church: Value, \$40,000; sittings, 450. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$150.78. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, 2,572.93; subscriptions and donations, \$1,205; investments, \$820.63; other sources, \$86; total, \$4,684.56. Sunday school: Offerings for current expenses, \$25.47. Increase and improvement of church property, \$3,098.49;

special offerings for the poor of the parish, \$87.30; children's Christmas festival, \$71.52; Christmas and Easter decorations, \$60.45; special thank-offerings devoted to parochial objects, \$10; special offerings for parish indebtedness, \$560.50, — \$3,888.26. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,749.02.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund (included in above "contributions"), \$60. Convention Fund (included in above "contributions"), \$37.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$7.42. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$19.03. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$100. Total for objects without the parish, \$223.95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100, Church Temperance Society, \$55, — \$155. Domestic missions in general, \$35.70; Indian missions, \$9.88; offerings for relief of sufferers from floods in Ohio, \$93.23; offerings to Bishop Hare for the Santee Mission (from Sunday school), \$22.44; box from Parish Missionary Society, to hospital at Omaha, valued at \$53.67, box from Parish Missionary Society, to freedmen at Gordonsville, Va., valued at \$65; Apthorp School, Japan (from Sunday school), \$10, — \$269.92. Foreign missions in general, \$33.19; towards the Rev. Mr. Tyng's life insurance (see above), \$12.50, — \$45.69. Total for missionary contributions, \$490.81.

Total of contributions, \$9,463.68.

REMARKS.

In October, 1883, the Parish received from one of its members, whose liberality has been often the cause for gratitude, the generous gift of a new organ of two manuals, with water-motor. The instrument was built by Messrs. Hook & Hastings, and is considered to be exceedingly well adapted to the church, and to the needs of its worship.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE (with St. James's Chapel, Somerville).

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, *Rector*.

JOHN W. SUTER and HENRY WOOD, *Lay Readers*.

CHARLES R. WOODS and JOHN A. DODGE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adults, 5; total, 27. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 14; total added, 28; died, 1; removed, 7; total lost, 8; present number, 100. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 150. Chapel Sunday school: Teachers, 10; scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 225. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 150. Parish house: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$14,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Aims at Holy Communion, \$43.20. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory: Church, \$2,045.92; chapel, \$237.02. Church Sunday school, \$88.17; Chapel Sunday school, \$49.04. Christmas and Easter festivals, \$40.40. Industrial school, including rent of room, etc., \$63.81. Other parochial objects, viz.: the poor, \$80.35; reading-matter, printing, etc., \$48.60; profits on Girls' Guild sale, \$141.60; completion of parish house, \$2,391.56; furnishing of same, \$507.14; miscellaneous, \$48.25. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,772.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$14. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$9.70. Total for objects without the parish, \$46.20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$23. Domestic missions in general, \$126.11. Foreign missions in general, \$157.77. Total for missionary contributions, \$306.88.

Total of contributions, \$6,125.13.

REMARKS.

The event of the year has been the opening of the Parish House in the rear of the Church, finished, furnished, and paid for. A building of considerably larger seating capacity than the church, and admitting a greater variety of uses, it promises much furtherance of the parish work. The parish is generally prosperous, and the year has been one of marked growth at every point. The Chapel congregations and Sunday school are glad to have Mr. Suter back again at his old post, and Mr. Wood has been of valuable service at the church. The Rector is also under obligations to the Rev. F. A. Foxcroft, a member of the parish, for constant friendly assistance.

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE (*Chapel of the Episcopal Theological School*).

The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D., *Dean*.

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 5. Communicants, 185. Sunday school: Officers, 15; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Expenses (no salary paid by the worshippers), \$2,462.42. Bishop's salary, \$50. Theological education (through the societies and directly), \$368.70. Relief of sufferers by the floods in Ohio, \$102. Reform work in France (to Père Hyacinthe), \$75. The poor, and miscellaneous objects, \$166.75. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$20.

MISSIONS. — Diocesan, \$117.79; domestic, \$319.57; foreign, \$235.90; freedmen's, \$161.28; Indian, \$90; Mexican, \$29.16; Jewish, \$30. Total for missions, \$983.70 (of this, \$607.85 were raised by the Ladies' Missionary Society).

Total offerings, \$4,228.57.

REMARKS.

This Chapel being open to the public, after that provision is made, according to the terms of the gift, for professors and members of the school and of Harvard University, a considerable number avail themselves of this privilege as above indicated, and bear all the expenses in return, although there is no parochial organization, and no connection with the Convention. These data are part of the Dean's report to the Bishop, given to complete the statistics of Church work in the Diocese.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, *Rector*.

EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M.D., and WILLIAM W. DALLINGER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24; adults, 2; total, 26. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 17; received, 5; total added, 22; died, 4; removed, 5; total

lost, 9; present number, 309. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 171.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, \$115.69. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Through offerings at the offertory, \$3,251.72. Sunday school, \$23.50. Vestments for choir, \$143.20. Individual donations for charities, \$25. Industrial charities in addition to alms, \$31.93. Increase and improvement of church property, \$243.51. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,834.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30. Relief of Clergymen of the Diocese, \$5. Christian or theological education, \$35. For relief of Ohio sufferers, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions in general, \$21; for Bishop Tuttle, \$22.06; for Rev. Mr. Cain's work among freedmen, \$2; Sunday school, for Rev. Mr. Washburn's rectory, Maine, \$10; box of clothing and other articles for the Rev. B. B. Babbitt, Columbia, S C. Foreign missions in general, \$5; for Rev. Mr. Blanchet, Japan, \$12; Sunday school, for Apthorp scholarship, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$132.06.

Total of contributions, \$4,051.66.

REMARKS.

The Rector has reason, as in past years, to acknowledge the valuable assistance of Clergy residing in Cambridge.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, CHELMSFORD.

The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, *Rector*.

CHARLES D. CLARKE and S. RUSSELL KETCHEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Adult, 1. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; total added, 4; removed, 2; total lost, 2; present number, 42. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,767; sittings, 125. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,767.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$295.13; other sources, \$178.69; total, \$473.82. Increase and improvement of church property, \$40.54. Total for objects within the parish, \$534.36.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$544.36.

REMARKS.

We are holding our own. The congregations are very good. We are looking for an increase at no very distant day, as the town is growing. We are still lacking in means to complete our tower. We have been presented with a bell, which we hope soon to put in place.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHELSEA.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *Rector*.G. M. GOLDING and E. P. CONNOR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 38; adults, 6; total, 44. Confirmed, 10. Communi-
cants: Admitted, 10; received, 4; total added, 14; died, 18; removed, 10;
total lost, 28; present number, 180. Marriages, 19. Funerals, 47. Sunday
school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 222. Church: Value, \$16,000;
sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish,
\$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, alms-chest,
etc., \$119.82. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at
the offertory, \$407.87; pew rents, \$943.27; investments, \$90; other sources
(Societies), \$271.77; total, \$1,712.91. Sunday school, \$138.54. Increase and
improvement of church property, \$930.31. Special, \$31.97. Total for ob-
jects within the parish, \$2,933.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Sufferers from flood in Southern
Ohio, \$6.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$9. Do-
mestic: Jewish Missions, \$1.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$10.25.

Total of contributions, \$2,950.05.

REMARKS.

The past Conventional year has been to us in this parish a very check-
ered one. Joys and sorrows, hopes and disappointments, successes and
losses, have so alternated as to try our faith exceedingly. Never before, in
the history of the parish, was the death-rate so large. *Forty-seven* deaths
in one year is truly appalling. We bow submissive to the Divine decree,
and pray for grace, that we who survive may learn to "number our days,
and apply our hearts unto wisdom."

But, notwithstanding such a loss, our congregations continue about the
same. As if "baptized for the dead," several have come to us, thus filling
up our thinned and broken ranks. The work of the parish, too, has been
pushed forward in a gratifying manner. The nave of the Church has been
frescoed throughout after a beautiful design, harmonizing well with the
chancel, which was decorated in memoriam a year ago. A beautifully carved
eagle lectern was put into the Church last autumn, as a surprise for the
Rector on his return from Europe. Several other improvements, too, have
been made, including an excellent new carpet, the gift of one of the lady
parishioners. All these improvements together amount to nearly \$1,000,
spent for the beautifying of the House of God. May God accept our
bounden duty and service!

GRACE CHURCH, CHICOPEE.

[No Report.]

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CLINTON.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

CHARLES G. STEVENS and SAMUEL A. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 20. Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 8. Sun-
-day school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$6,000;
sittings, 180.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$911.84; subscriptions, \$413; Easter offertory, \$201.66; total, \$1,526.40. Sunday school, \$36.42. Christmas-tree, \$42.27. Subscriptions for repair and improvement of church after the fire, \$263.75. New carpet procured by the ladies of the parish, \$188. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,006.84.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$28. Convention Fund, \$18. Ohio floods, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$66.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Ladies' Missionary Auxiliary Society, \$23.50. Total, \$73.50. Domestic missions in general, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$78.50.

Total of contributions, \$2,151.34.

TRINITY MISSION CHURCH, CONCORD.

The Rev. EDWARD AUGUSTUS RAND, *Missionary*.

O. H. UNDERHILL, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 28. Marriages, 2. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 21; total, 25.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$126.14. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Subscriptions, \$249.00. Expenditure (up to April 1, 1884) on lot and cellar of the church, \$966.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,332.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Union Bible Society, \$2.50. Sufferers by flood in Bishop Jaggard's Diocese, \$3.30. Total for objects without the parish, \$5.80.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$13. Domestic: To Jews, \$1. Total for missionary contributions, \$14.

Total of contributions, \$1,352.04.

REMARKS.

The Concord Mission steadily gains as an organized power. It has purchased a building-lot within the year, and is now erecting a tasty stone church. It is pleasant to record a kindly feeling towards the mission in the town, especially manifested at a "Sale," under the auspices of the ladies of the mission,—individuals from all denominations in town contributing to it.

CALVARY CHURCH, DANVERS.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN R. TIBBETTS and JOHN R. FULLER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 6; total, 12. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 3; total added, 10; died, 2; removed, 8; total lost, 10; present number, 92. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage lot: Value, \$600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$492.86; collections in church, \$49.39; investments, \$112.80; other sources, \$51; total, \$706.05. Total for objects within the parish, \$706.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$6. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$5. Sufferers by floods on the Ohio River, \$14. Eastern Convocation, \$20. Clothing for Ohio sufferers (value), \$30. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15. Domestic missions in general, \$1; Indians and Freedmen, \$1; Missions in general, \$5. Foreign missions in general, \$1; Mission to the Jews, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$26.

Total of contributions, \$807.05.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (OAKDALE), DEDHAM.

The Rev. WILLIAM F. CHENEY, *Rector*.

EPHRAIM L. FROTHINGHAM and THOMAS NEWSOME, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 1; total added, 3; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 78. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 115. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 280. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$46.01. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$287.38; pew rents, \$294; subscriptions, \$878; other sources, \$117.85; total, \$1,577.23. Sunday school, \$105.19. Parish library, \$41.50. Increase and improvement of church property, \$183.32. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,953.25.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$15. For other objects without the parish, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$70.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions in general, \$28.20; box for St. Mary's School, Dakota, valued at \$30; box of clothing for a clergyman in Washington Territory, valued at \$50; total, \$108.20. Foreign missions in general, \$22.35. Total for missionary contributions, \$140.55.

Total of contributions, \$2,163.80.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DEDHAM.

The Rev. ARTHUR MANN BACKUS, *Rector*.

IRA CLEVELAND and THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adult, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 7; total added, 18; died, 2; removed, 10; total lost, 12; present number, 171. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 160.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,400; pew rents, \$1,335.24; donations, \$1,000; investments, \$796.98, total, \$4,552.22. Sunday school, \$30. Increase and improvement of church property, \$800. Robes, linen, etc., \$72. Christmas decoration and festival, \$50. Easter flowers, \$46. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,550.22.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$30. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, box from ladies, \$50. Associated Charities, Dedham, \$24.50. Sufferers from Ohio floods, \$48.63. Total for objects without the parish, \$153.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$118. Domestic missions in general, \$7; Jewish missions, \$15; Indian missions, box from ladies, \$60.75; freedmen missions, box from young ladies, \$35. Foreign missions: Miss Pitman's salary, \$10. General missions: From Easter offering, \$20; Sunday-school Lenten offering, \$45. Total for missionary contributions, \$310.75.

Total of contributions, \$6,014.10.

REMARKS.

There has been added to the investments of the parish this year the sum of one thousand dollars from the estate of the late Mrs. E. F. Babcock, the interest of which is to be used to purchase books for the Sunday-school library.

Through the liberality of the Senior Warden, Ira Cleveland, Esq., additional decoration has been made in the Church, most of which has been placed in the chancel, rendering it highly impressive. Also, at Easter, he erected an elegant brass eagle lectern in the chancel, in memory of Mrs. E. F. Babcock, deceased Jan. 26, 1883.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, EASTHAMPTON.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

N. W. FARREAR, *Lay Reader.*

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 17; died, 1; removed, 3; present number, 54. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$184; subscriptions, \$180; total, \$364.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$5.80; Ohio floods \$7.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$13.05.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.24.

Total of contributions, \$344.29.

REMARKS.

St. Philip's, Easthampton, has at present no one in official charge. The Rev. J. S. Pearce of Northampton, the Rev. H. L. Foote of Holyoke, the Rev. J. S. Beers, General Missionary of the Diocese, have held services there on twenty-three occasions. Regular services every Sunday have also been held by a resident Lay Reader, and much interest is manifested in the work which is going on there. A beautiful lot for a Church has recently been

purchased, the title of which now rests in the Trustees of Donations for the Diocese. It is hoped that during the year to come a church building may be erected; and, upon the completion of that, a report will be made of the whole cost of land and building.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. ALBERT ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D., *Rector*.

The Rev. ERNEST H. MARIETT, *Assistant*.

BORDEN CHASE and JOHN G. HIGHLANDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 61; adults, 6; total, 67. Communicants: Admitted, 18; received, 16; total added, 34; died, 4; removed, 8; total lost, 12; present number, 249. Marriages, 28. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 80; scholars, 200. Parochial Sunday schools (St. Mark and St. James): Teachers, 28; scholars, 270. Church: Value, \$65,000; sittings, 618. Chapel, St. Mark's: Value, \$1,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$88,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$84. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,006.74; collections in church, \$400; pew rents, \$1,622.05; other sources, \$400; total, \$3,462.79. Sunday school, \$202.78. By parochial missions, \$840.63; Guild, \$62.44. Quarter's rent, St. James's Mission, \$13. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,571.64.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$27. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$6. Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$5. Christian or theological education, \$5.50. Children's Home, Fall River, \$56. Children's Home, from St. Mark's Mission, \$8.10. Children's Home, from St. James's Mission, \$3.17. Total for objects without the parish, \$110.77.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50; St. Mark's Mission, \$2.71; St. Mark's Mission, \$5; St. James's Mission, \$10. Domestic Missions in general, \$12; St. Mark's, \$1; from Woman's Mission Association, auxiliary to Board of Missions, \$117.62. Foreign: Orphanage, Cape Palmas, from Sunday school, \$50. Total for missionary contributions, \$248.33.

Total of contributions, \$4,930.74.

REMARKS.

The Missions connected with the Church of the Ascension (viz., St. Mark's and St. James's, organized last July) are now in a flourishing and prospering condition. The Rev. E. H. Mariett, my assistant, has had direct charge of the work during the past year. He has labored faithfully and successfully. The Missions, with consent of the Diocesan Missionary Board, have been *organized as Missions*. They are now independent of the Parish of the Ascension. The Rev. E. H. Mariett remains over them as Minister in Charge, and Missionary of the Board. They will meet all expenses with the aid rendered by the Missionary Board. I have strong hope, that, at no distant day, these Missions will be developed into Parishes.

Of the Church of the Ascension, with which my labors as Rector will close on the 15th of this month, after a Pastorate of three years, I may say that I leave it in a thoroughly organized and harmonious condition. No breath of trouble, in any way or from any source, has marred the relations between Rector and people. We have been as a family. It is a noble Parish, and I

trust will receive the meed of prosperity which it deserves. It is now in good condition, and ready to welcome and labor with the Rector who shall be directed in God's providence to them.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, *Rector*.

OLIVER H. P. HOWARD and JOHN TAYLOR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 61; adults, 2; total, 63. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Present number, 150. Marriages, 18. Funerals, 31. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 32; scholars, 308; total, 340. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$36.27. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$754.03; Ladies' Circle, \$213.44; total, \$967.47. Sunday school, \$249.32. Increase and improvement of Church property, \$481.91. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,734.97.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Fall River, \$10.50. Sufferers from floods in West, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$40.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Foreign: China, \$10; Africa, \$4; Japan, \$4; total, \$18. Total for missionary contributions, \$43.00.

Total of contributions, \$1,818.47.

GRACE CHURCH, FISKDALE.

[No Report.]

CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG.

The Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH, *Rector*.

DENNIS FAY and GEORGE D. COLONY, M.D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; adults, 7; total, 23. Confirmed, 10. Communicants, 209. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 170. Church: Value, \$61,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Room: Sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$61,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$153.18. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$453.69; pew rents, \$1,808.03; subscriptions, \$389.21; other sources, \$100; total, \$2,750.93. Sunday school, \$380.28. Parish library, \$26.06. Increase and improvement of church property, \$359.05. Other parochial objects, viz.: \$123, \$31.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,804.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$56. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$35.12. Total for objects without the parish, \$91.12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$66.95. Domestic missions in general, \$214.83; Ohio sufferers, \$60; total, \$274.83. Foreign missions in general, \$35. Total for missionary contributions, \$376.78.

Total of contributions, \$4,271.90.

REMARKS.

Within the last three years an active effort has been made to secure a Parish House. At the beginning of this period, about \$1,600 were on hand, already raised for this purpose. Since then, additions have been made by special gifts, offerings, interest, and pledges; so that the amount now in bank is \$5,700, with pledges, some of which are conditional, in sum about \$1,500. The total *at present* available may safely be placed in round numbers at \$7,200.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FRAMINGHAM.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Rector*.

JAMES W. BROWN and ARTHUR C. A. BLANCHARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 6; total added, 8; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 77. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$582.56; offerings at services at South Framingham, \$48.57. Total for objects within the parish, \$631.13.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$6. For work among deaf-mutes, \$8. Total for objects without the parish, \$14.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$38.50.

Total of contributions, \$683.63.

REMARKS.

Regular monthly services have been continued during the year at South Framingham.

We report seventy-seven communicants: this includes a number living in one or two adjoining towns, who attend the church *occasionally*, and are reported as they are connected with no other parish.

ST. PAUL'S MISSION, GARDNER.

THOMAS ALEXANDER HYDE, *Lay Reader and Missionary and Minister-elect*.

DAVID PARKER, M.D., *Church-Warden*.

The amount raised by the Gardner Mission by collections, subscriptions, pledges (and donations of the Board of Missions), from Aug. 14, 1883, to May 18, 1884, is \$740.59. The expenditure covers this sum.

SERVICES. — The first service was conducted by the Rev. J. S. Beers, Dec. 10, 1882; Jan. 7, ditto; Jan. 21, by the Rev. P. V. Finch; February, the Rev. Dr. Huntington preached, and pledges were made for the support of services; April 1, began regular continuous services every Sunday; the Rev. J. C. Hewlett, Minister, June 15 to Feb. 15, 1883-84; from that time up to

March 18, services were conducted by various clergymen; March 18, 1884, T. A. Hyde, Lay Reader and Missionary from his ordination. The report during this time is: Baptisms, 1882-83: adult, 1; infants, 4; total, 5. Confirmations, 2. 1883-84: Confirmations, 2. Marriage, 1. Burials, 2.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER.

The Rev. CHARLES A. HAYDEN, *Rector*.

JOHN H. STACY and WILLIAM BABSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adults, 5; total, 27. Confirmed, 20. Communicants (last Report, 60): Admitted, 20; received, 11; total added, 31; died, 3; total lost, 3; present number, 88. Marriages, 18; Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, about 70. Church: Value, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$587.18; subscriptions, \$557.99; donations, \$50; other sources, \$200; total, \$1,345.17. Sunday school, \$30. Easter decorations, \$17. Aid of the poor, donation, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,442.17.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$14.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16.07.

Total of contributions, \$1,472.49.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREAT BARRINGTON.

The Rev. JOSEPH E. LINDHOLM, *Rector*.

M. LUDLOW WHITLOCK and F. P. WHITTLESBY, M.D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 2; total, 11. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 6; total added, 12; died, 3; removed, 10; total lost, 13; present number, 162. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 450. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$29,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Aims at Holy Communion, \$122.07. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$323.03; pew rents, \$1,344.11; Parish Aid Society, \$690.36; total, with Convention assessment excluded, \$2,335. Sunday school: Expenses and Christmas, \$54.50. Increase and improvement of church property: Parish Aid Society, \$320.29; Parish debt paid, \$577.92. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,409.78.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$11.75. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$12.17. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$10. Christian or theological education, \$21. Sufferers by the Ohio flood, \$49.48. Total for objects without the parish, \$128.90.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$54.80; St. James's, New Bedford, \$5; total, \$59.80. Domestic missions at special points, \$30.27; missions in Utah, \$60; Bishop Tuttle scholarship, \$40; In-

dian missions, \$30.43; Jewish missions, \$5.58; freedmen's missions, \$10; Sunday-school mites, \$4; boxes to Miss Emery and Mrs. Buford, \$50; total, \$230.28. Foreign missions in general, \$16. Total for missionary contributions, \$306.08.

Total of contributions, \$3,842.76.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH, *Rector*.

SIMEON PHILLIPS and CHARLES R. LOWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 2; total, 13. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 3; total added, 10; died, 4; removed, 8; total lost, 12; present number, 159. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 14. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 126. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$28,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$125.64. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$507.16; pew rents, \$1,450; investments, \$258; Sunday-school collections, \$29.55; total, \$2,244.71. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,370.35.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, 18. Dakota League, from Sunday school, \$2.12. Goods sent to Rev. J. J. Emmegahbowh, \$60. Woman's National Hospital, Wilton, Conn., \$5. Bishop Jaggar, for sufferers from flood in Southern Ohio, \$38.52. Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$5. The Church Society for promoting Christianity amongst the Jews, \$7.61. Fanny Paddock Memorial, from Sunday school, \$29.54. Total for objects without the parish, \$200.79.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$80.45. Domestic missions in general, \$106.08. Foreign missions in general, \$36.34. Total for missionary contributions, \$222.87.

Total of contributions, \$2,794.01.

REMARKS.

The Rector would gratefully acknowledge his indebtedness to the Rev. N. W. Munroe and the Rev. Lewis Green, at present residing in Greenfield, for assistance kindly rendered on various occasions.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HANOVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, S.T.D., *Officiating Clergyman*.

LEMUEL CUSHING WATERMAN and WARREN WRIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infant, 1; adults, 3; total, 4. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 1; total added, 2; removed, 3; present number, 66. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 44. Church: Value, \$10,850; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$4,600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,450.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$169.87. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,392.54. Sunday school

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77 of which from Sunday school), \$118.32. Parish library, \$29.74. Other special objects, \$87.35. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,797.82.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$28. Conventicle fund, \$15. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, and indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$33.93. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (from Sunday school), \$5. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston (from Sunday school), \$5. Relief of poor, \$4 offered from floods in the Diocese of Southern Ohio, \$36. Total for objects without the parish, \$162.93.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$38. Domestic: Work among colored people (from Sunday school), \$5; Dake League, Massachusetts Branch (in articles), \$67.10. Foreign missions in general (from Sunday school), \$5. Women's Auxiliary: Foreign missions, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$110.20.

Total of contributions, \$2,070.95.

REMARKS.

Of the foregoing contributions, \$171.91 came from the Parish Sewing Circle.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, *Rector.*

CLARENCE E. KELLEY, *Lay Reader.*

Baptisms: Infants, 25; adults, 2; total, 27. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 2; total added, 10; died, 2; removed, 2; total lost, 4; present number, 77. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 10. Sunday school Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 86. Church: Value, \$5,000; site, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including pastor's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$510.64. Sunday school, Special offerings, Christmas, Easter, \$68.97. Rector's Aid Society objects in the parish, \$123.39. Total for objects within the parish,

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, domestic missions in general, \$5. Foreign: Offering from Sunday's Jaffa, Syria, \$5; for Miss Bruce's salary, \$3.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$15.50.

Total of contributions, \$755.75.

REMARKS.

Offerings of eighty-five baskets of the fruits of the earth, and gifts of God's merciful providence, were made at the Easter Home Festivals, and sent to aged and sick persons in the city, and not members of our communion. One hundred dollars of value received through the offertory was a special offering, for our work, from George Peabody Wetmore, Esq., of Newport, R.I. He is doing missionary work in a hitherto neglected ward of our free-will offerings are needed and very acceptable.

TRINITY CHURCH, HAVERHILL.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

EDWARD F. ADAMS and CHARLES T. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 2; total, 12. **Communicants:** Admitted, 7; received, 4; total added, 11; died, 7; total lost, 7; present number, 210. **Marriages,** 4. **Funerals,** 11. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 100. **Church:** Value, \$10,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,755.50. Sunday school, \$149. Increase and improvement of church property, \$312.86. Choir, 212. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,429.36.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Sisters of St. Luke (Haverhill), \$27.03. American Church Building Fund, \$25; Hospital, Wuchang, \$30; School Good Shepherd, Ogden, Utah, \$20; Florida, Christmas offering, \$58; Hospital, Tacoma, \$16; Mrs. Buford, special, \$3; Ohio sufferers, \$20.55; total, \$172.05. Total for objects without the parish, \$242.58.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$39.20. Domestic, \$25. Foreign, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$74.20.

Total of contributions, \$2,746.14.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Charles A. Rand, our late beloved Rector, officiated for the last time in Trinity Church, on Sunday, Jan. 13, 1884, after a pastorate of nearly twelve years. Ill health compelled him to take a vacation for a few months; and on the seventeenth day of January he embarked on the steamer "City of Columbus," for Florida, with his wife and child. The vessel was lost off Martha's Vineyard on the 18th of January, 1884; and the whole family, with the father and mother of Mr. Rand, perished in the wreck. Since that time our desk has been acceptably supplied by various clergymen.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HINGHAM.

The Rev. CHARLES LUKE WELLS, *Minister*.GEORGE T. DEFREES, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 4; total, 8. **Confirmed,** 4. **Communicants:** Admitted, 4; total added, 4; removed, 4; total lost, 4; present number, 25. **Marriages,** 2. **Funerals,** 1; **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 45. **Church:** Value, \$5,500; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$915.21. Increase and improvement of church property, \$3,098.64. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,013.85.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6.15. Domestic: Sufferers by Western floods, \$14. Foreign missions in general, by Sunday school, \$3.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$23.65.

Total of contributions, \$4,037.50.

REMARKS.

Our beautiful little church was consecrated by Bishop Paddock on the fifth day of June; and our every service there is accompanied with the grateful remembrance of our kind friends in Boston, who so generously aided us, with money and in other ways, to carry out this long-cherished desire. A generous architect, a Boston Churchman, gave the plans and his personal oversight; another friend gave most of the paint needed; while our kind friends of St. Paul's, Stockbridge, sent us a sweet-toned organ, which we value most highly. A handsome oak altar, chancel carpet, service-book, reading-desk and stall were the gifts of summer parishioners. A font has also been given in memory of two sweet children, daughters of former members of the Mission. Two beautiful memorial windows have also been given; the large one in the west end, opposite the chancel, in memory of one whose sweet Christian spirit still lingers as a holy influence with us. As a most touching and beautiful manifestation of the tender feeling existing in the Mother Church in Old England for the Church in the New, the Rector and parishioners of St. Andrew's Church, Hingham, England (whose church edifice dates back to the middle of the thirteenth century), sent to us, in time for our use on St. Andrew's Day, an elegant silver chalice and paten suitably marked and engraved. With the exception of the omission of two Sunday morning services, from Advent to Easter, in order to allow extra work in Trinity Church, Weymouth, regular services have been held.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOLYOKE.

The Rev. HENRY LEWIS FOOTE, *Rector*.

GEORGE H. LEDDY and ELIAS P. FORD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24; adults, 3; total, 27. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 18; total added, 25; died, 5; removed, 29; total lost, 34; present number, 177. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 159. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 390. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$162.67. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$153.01; collections in church, \$500; pew rents, \$2,000.06; donations, \$36; Ladies' Aid Society, \$359.80; total, \$3,048.87. Sunday school, \$150.68. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,362.22.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$18. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$4.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$4.50. Ohio floods, \$42. Building a rectory, \$6.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$128.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$54.96. Domestic missions in general, \$20; work among Indians, \$13.60; work among Jews, \$1.75; Utah schools, \$40; Church Building Fund, \$11.55; total, \$86.90. Foreign missions in general, \$67.07. Total for missionary contributions, \$208.93.

Total of contributions, \$3,699.40.

REMARKS.

The Parish has expended during the year just closed something over \$600 in improvements on the church property. The large number of removals from the Parish has reduced the number of Communicants this year, but in all other respects there seem to be signs of healthy growth.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOPKINTON.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

WILLIAM KENNEDY and **JAMES F. BRAITHWAITE**, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants, 12; died, 1. Funeral, 1. School building: Value, \$500.
 Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,900.

REMARKS.

Think if this Parish were annexed to St. Mark's, Southborough, we might have a few Services a year, which we have not now. The few Episcopalians in this Parish are poor in this world's goods. The wood on the glebe, I think, might be sold, and the proceeds put with a little to build a Chapel on the site of the old Church. With a Chapel, I know the Parish would raise itself from its slumbers.

JAMES F. BRAITHWAITE, *Warden and Clerk*.

CHRIST CHURCH, HYDE PARK.

The Rev. **JOHN THOMAS MAGRATH**, *Rector*.**HENRY HYDE SMITH** and **SAMUEL A. FOSTER**, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 3; total, 15. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; died, 1; removed, 9; total lost, 10; present number, 110. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 102. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), \$10. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, including special offerings, \$1,764.18; pew rents to Jan. 20, 1884, \$971.67; donations, \$15.50; ladies of the parish, \$300; Sunday school, \$122.25; total, \$3,173.60. Sunday school, \$50. Sunday school and parish library, \$10. The Sunday school, towards fund for a new communion table, \$12. Prayer-Books and Hymnals, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,275.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$42. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen (General), \$10.80. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.30.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Domestic missions in general, \$15; ladies' box for domestic missions, \$68.50; ladies' box for Dakota League, \$249.38. Foreign: Ladies for Miss Bruce's salary, \$10; Sunday school for general missions, \$10.38. Total for missionary contributions, \$378.26.

Total of contributions, \$3,679.56.

REMARKS.

During the last summer the church was repaired and renovated at an expense of eleven hundred dollars, which amount is included in the above report.

Since Jan. 20, 1884, the sittings in the Church have been free and unassigned. Harmony and zeal have marked the course of the parish, and the Rector has received many tokens of kindness.

Services have been held by the Rector in the mission at Mattapan every

Sunday afternoon during the year. The congregation averages about 600 persons. Three adults and 5 infants have been baptized, and 4 persons confirmed. The Sunday school numbers 35 children and 4 teachers. These people have purchased a surplice and stole for the use of the mission, and the weekly offerings for the year amount to \$414.

MEMORIAL CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, IPSWICH.

The Rev. JULIUS WALTER ATWOOD, *Rector*.

EVERARD H. MARTIN and JOHN BIRCH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 2; total, 14. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 22; total added, 32; died, 1; removed, 8; total lost, 9; present number, 100. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 111. Church: Value, about \$12,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (not elsewhere reported), \$56.45. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$233.67; subscriptions, \$742; other sources, \$335.53; total, \$1,312.20. Sunday school, \$110.48. Increase and improvement of church property, \$223. Organ fund, \$763.70. Easter flowers, \$20. Other objects, \$90. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,575.83.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$15. Convention Fund, \$15. Christian or theological education, \$31.13. Flood sufferers, \$1. Total for objects without the parish, \$67.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions in general, \$9.50; Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$4; Indian and freedmen missions, \$1.75. Foreign missions in general, \$16.24; missions in Mexico and Haiti, \$2.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$43.99.

Total of contributions, \$2,656.96.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBOROUGH.

The Rev. CHARLES JAMES PALMER, *Officiating Clergyman*.

GEORGE B. SHERMAN and FRANK NOURSE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Communicants: Died, 1; present number, 53. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 400. Parsonage: Value, \$1,500. Fund, \$9,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$27.75. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$68.13; subscriptions, \$131.25; investments, \$596.34; other sources, \$185.50; total, \$983.72. Increase and improvement of church property, \$113.60. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,125.11.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$9. Western Communion, \$1.80. Total for objects without the parish, \$10.80.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$2.56.

Total of contributions, \$1,139.47.

GRACE CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. AUGUSTINE HEARD AMORY, *Rector*.

ROBERT B. PARKER, *Lay Reader*.

ES PAYNE and HENRY MARTYN WHITNEY, *Church-Wardens*.

ms: Infants, 57; adults, 16; total, 73. Confirmed, 21. Communi-
admitted, 21; received, 13; total added, 34; died, 8; removed, 12;
t, 20; present number, 382. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 41. Sunday
Officers and teachers, 37; scholars, 392. Sewing school: Teachers,
ars, 37. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 600. Chapel: Value,
sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the par-
000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

TS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$300.39.
ent expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$3,200; sub-
is, \$490; total, \$3,690. Sunday school, \$20.08. Sunday-school li-
144.20. Sunday-school picnic, \$19.80. Easter expenses, \$38. Total
cts within the parish, \$4,212.47.

TS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$103.41. Conven-
ad, \$36. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of De-
llergymen of the Diocese, \$86.40. Christian or theological educa-
l.15. Lawrence City Mission, \$147.22. Sufferers from the flood in
n Ohio, \$52. Total for objects without the parish, \$466.18.

ONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$80.52.
ic missions in general, \$178.71; special, \$140; the Jews, \$15.64, —

Foreign missions in general, \$51.38; special, \$40, — \$91.38. Total
ionary contributions, \$456.25.

of contributions, \$5,134.90.

REMARKS.

Rev. William Lawrence resigned the Rectorship of the Parish, Dec.
, to accept the chair of homiletics and pastoral care at the Episcopal
ical School at Cambridge; and the Rev. A. H. Amory accepted the
ip of the Parish, Jan. 1, 1884.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, *Rector*.

LAWRENCE DAVENPORT, *Church-Warden*.

ms: Infants, 31; adults, 2; total, 33. Confirmed, 19. Communi-
Admitted, 19; received, 11; total added, 30; died, 4; removed, 18;
st, 22; present number, 214. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 34. Sun-
ool: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

CTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$82.79. All
expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory,
4; pew rents, \$280.20; other sources, \$158.55; total, \$2,201.29. Sun-
ool, \$41. City mission, \$25. Total for objects within the parish,
8.

ONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Do-
For conversion of Jews, \$12; for Ohio sufferers, Bishop Jaggar, \$15.
r missionary contributions, \$52.

of contributions, \$2,402.08.

APPENDIX A.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEE.

The Rev. SAMUEL HAYEN HILLIARD, Rector.

LUCIUS CROCKER and JOHN HANNA, Church-Wardens.

Communicants: Admitted, 5; adults, 1; total, 6. Confirmed, 6. Communicants, 6; received, 1; total added, 7; died, 1; present number, 6. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 40. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$15.80. Current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$300.20; pew rents, \$203.99; subscriptions, for old debt and charity, \$78.50; donations, \$80.19; lectures, \$25; total, \$703.43. Parish library, \$56.03. For Rector's Fund, \$450. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,209.51.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$5. Convention Fund, \$2. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$4.24. Sufferers by floods at the West, \$3.83. Total for objects without the parish, \$15.22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$21.43. Domestic missions in general, \$7.14. Foreign missions in general, \$5.00. Total for missionary contributions, \$33.57.

Total of contributions, \$1,258.30.

REMARKS.

The Rector of St. George's has also officiated twice each month at South Lee; once a month at East Lee; and, during nine months of the year, once a month at Otis.

The envelope system has been adopted at St. George's Church, and the Church is gradually moving towards the free-church system.

A Rector's Fund has been started, amounting now to \$450.

TRINITY CHURCH, LENOX.

The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, Rector.

R. T. AUCHMUTY and EDMUND SPENCER, Church-Wardens.

Communicants: Admitted, 1; received, 6; total added, 9; removed, 1; present number, 65. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Church: Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), \$49.75. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,712.50; investments, \$2,297.71. Collections in church, \$519.30; pew rents, \$1,712.50; investments, \$2,297.71. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,297.71.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. For sufferers by floods in Ohio, \$36. For Count di Campello in Rome, \$187.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$248.86.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Mission Domestic missions in general, \$34.75. Foreign missions in general, \$337.35. Total for missionary contributions, \$372.10.

Total of contributions, \$2,882.98.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LINDEN.

The Rev. THOMAS LEGATE FISHER, *Minister*.JOHN ROSSBOROUGH, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; removed, 1; present number, 34. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 70. Church: Value, \$3,200; sittings, 140. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$432.50; subscriptions, \$627; donations, \$2,468; total, \$3,527.50.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — To Bishop Jaggar, relief from flood, \$7.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$3.

Total of contributions, \$3,537.50.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LONGWOOD.

The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, *Rector*.S. H. GREGORY and F. W. LAWRENCE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 2; total, 5. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 13; total added, 22; died, 2; removed, 3; total lost, 5; present number, 173. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$50,000; sittings, 350. Chapel: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$54,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$3,849.85; donations, \$30; total, \$3,879.85. Sunday-school library, \$21.43. Increase and improvement of church property, \$400. Christmas expenses, \$91.20. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,392.48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$50. Convention Fund, \$30. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$26.15. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$34.45. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$40.65. Erection of churches and chapels, \$30. Woman's Auxiliary, \$31. Girls' Friendly Society, \$31.76. Society for the Increase of Ministry, \$39.78. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, \$20. Miscellaneous, through Woman's Auxiliary, \$35. Total for objects without the parish, \$368.79.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$99.66. Domestic missions in general, \$177.57; mite chests, \$14.12; Memorial Hospital, Washington Territory, from Sunday school, \$36.32. Foreign missions in general, \$163.79; orphanage in Mexico, \$70. Total for missionary contributions, \$561.46.

Total of contributions, \$5,322.73.

REMARKS.

A memorial window of great beauty has been placed in the Church during the past year. Five boxes of clothing, valued at \$557, have been sent to

the missionary field. The record kept shows a steady increase in the attendance upon the services, persons coming to them from a wider region than ever before.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

JOHN M. PEVEY, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 55; adults, 4; total, 59. Confirmed, 15. Marriages, 34. Funerals, 57. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 202. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 600. Chapel: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 200. School building: Value, \$8,000. Parsonage: Value, \$13,300. Bells, organ, library, \$11,700. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$83,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$259.89. All current expenses, including Rector's salary (\$4,943.84): Offerings at the offertory, for parish purposes, \$156.44; collections in church, for choral service, \$201.38; pew rents, \$3,876.51; subscriptions, for church improvements, \$7,667; total, \$11,901.33. Sunday school, \$99.09. Rector's library, \$53.30. Home Work in St. Anne's, \$17.59. Prayer-Books and Hymnals for St. Anne's, \$13.15. Total for objects within the parish, \$12,343.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$64.70. Convention Fund, \$30. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$10.34. New-York Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$16.87. St. Mary's Orphanage, Lowell, \$270.28. Christian of theological education: Nashotah, \$25.43; St. Anne's Scholarship Society, \$41.99, — \$67.42. Erection of churches and chapels, \$65.96. School in Bolivar, Tenn., \$21. Colored mission in Columbia, S.C. (Rev. B. B. Babbitt), \$14.22. Chelmsford Parish, \$21.42. Sufferers by flood (through Bishop Jaggard), \$55.58. American Church Building Association, \$24.50. Church Mission for Deaf-Mutes, \$14.86. Rev. Job Turner, for deaf-mutes, \$15.44, — \$30.30. Total for objects without the parish, \$698.79.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$93.37. Domestic missions in general, \$47.97; freedmen and Indians, \$3.47; Jewish Missions (Good Friday), \$7.94, — \$59.38. Foreign missions in general, \$51.48. Total for missionary contributions, \$204.23.

Total of contributions, \$13,246.87.

REMARKS.

The report of St. Anne's Parish to the Convention last year showed statistics of its church work, even in excess of its many prosperous years, under the impressive circumstances, as it proved, of the near close of a life of almost ninety years, and a continuous pastorate of almost sixty years in this parish.

Rev. Dr. Edson died, June 25, 1883, and was laid to his rest, with every demonstration of the sincerest love, reverence, and respect from the Clergy, the parish, and the whole community in which he had passed his laborious and useful life.

His death, of course, entailed upon the Vestry a great amount of responsibility and work, for which, under such a Rector, they had had no demand and no experience: their only duty clearly was to follow an example which needed no improvement.

Rev. Francis Gilliat took charge, and with exemplary diligence, faithfulness, and acceptance, in a very difficult position, continued till he was elected Rector in another diocese, and left Feb. 29.

Since then the public services have been regularly maintained by several clergymen, and once by Bishop Niles of New Hampshire, in a most obliging manner; and the manifold duties of the pastorate, by clergymen in Lowell, to whom we are under great obligation. Jan. 7, the Rev. A. St. John Hambré, D.D., was elected Rector, and will assume the position May 15.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, *Rector*.

HENRY P. WEBBER and WILLIAM H. DENNIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 9; total added, 20; died, 4; removed, 14; total lost, 18; present number, 283. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 20. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 171. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms (not elsewhere included), \$50. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$84.37; pew rents, \$1,277.50; subscriptions, paid for church debt, \$606; donations, from Sunday school, \$58.84; improvement society, for new furnace, \$150; total, \$2,476.71. Sunday school, \$114.34. Increase and improvement of church property, from Sunday school and Parish Aid Society, \$9.44. The choir, \$244.28. Christmas and Easter decorations, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,979.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention fund, 21. Sufferers by flood in Ohio, \$40.25. Clothing and money for a needy clergyman, \$19. Total for objects without the parish, \$105.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$27. Sunday-school contributions: Domestic missions in general, \$4; Indians and Freedmen, \$5, — \$9. Foreign missions in general, \$2.06; Mexico and Haiti, 1, — \$5.06. Total for missionary contributions, \$41.06.

Total of contributions, \$3,126.08.

REMARKS.

Within the past year the parish has sustained a great loss in the death of the late junior Warden, Mr. Samuel J. Gibby, after a protracted and most painful illness, which he bore with patient fortitude. For many years he had taken an active interest in parish affairs, and was always liberal in his support. A beautiful memorial window, placed in the Church by his widow, serves both to remind us of his good example, and to turn our thoughts upward toward the new life into which he has entered, through Christ.

THE HOUSE OF PRAYER, LOWELL.

The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, *Rector*.

JAMES EMMOTT and JAMES DRIVER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adult, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 4; total added, 9; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 56. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$671.18; donations, \$30; Guild of the House of Prayer, \$146.93.

Total of contributions, \$848.11.

REMARKS.

The past year has been an unusually good one with us. The morning services are better attended than ever before. The parish has been greatly helped in its work by the aid of the Guild of the House of Prayer. Through this organization, considerable of money has been raised to improve the looks of the church, and otherwise aid the parish.

ST. STEPHEN'S MEMORIAL CHURCH, LYNN.

The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, *Rector.*

W. F. JOHNSON and T. B. KNIGHT, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 35; adults, 19; total, 54. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 17; received, 6; total added, 22; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, about 400. Marriages, 20. Funerals, 21. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 30; scholars, about 300. Girls' Industrial school: Teachers, 39; scholars, 328.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$5,000.76. Sunday school, \$79.16. Girls' Industrial School, \$55. Added to Sunday-school Library Endowment Fund (making \$850), \$250. Added to Girls' Industrial School Endowment Fund (making \$677), \$100. Christmas present to Rector, \$101. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,745.92.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$30. Theological Education, \$40. Lynn Boarding-House for Young Women, \$32.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$137.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$81.14; mission at Saugus, \$10, — \$91.14. Domestic. Dr. Porter's School (Charleston), \$50.12; Mission to the Jews, \$16.78; hospital, Kansas City, \$70; St. Paul's School (Yankton), \$55.50; Sister Eliza's salary, \$10; freedmen, \$10; Chickering Memorial Fund, \$15, — \$227.40. Foreign missions in general, \$57.57. Mrs. Hooker's school, \$22; box for Bishop Holly, \$20; Mrs. Brierly (Africa), \$6; St. John's College (China), \$25; Miss Bruce's salary, \$8; Hospital at Wuchang, \$2; Miss Riddick (Japan), \$6, — \$146.57. Total for missionary contributions, \$465.11.

Total of contributions, \$7,348.62.

REMARKS.

As a completion of the late Mr. Mudge's plans, his fond children, Mrs. C. H. Joy, Mrs. James Lawrence, and Mr. Henry S. Mudge, have placed in the church an elegant wrought-iron rood-screen, and in memory of Mrs. E. R. Mudge.

Mr. Mudge's grandchildren, John Algernon Joy and Edith Marion Joy, have also presented a handsome brass alms-basin as a memorial of their grandfather.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MALDEN.

The Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON, *Rector*.GEORGE CHARLES TATE, *Lay Reader*.GEORGE CHARLES TATE and WILLIAM BELTRADE DE LAS CASAS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24; adults, 4; total, 28. Confirmed, 11. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18. Church: Value, \$13,000; sittings, 300. Parish house and school building: Value, \$2,530. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,530.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$3,125.31; donations, \$100; total, \$3,225.31. Sunday school, \$60. Parish Guild: Charitable objects, \$30.55; other purposes, \$76.90. Christmas and Easter festivals, \$71.50. Piano for Sunday School, \$200. Parish House, cost, \$2,530.20; less amount of note, \$700, — \$1,830.29. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,494.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, on amount of parish note, \$200. Convention Fund, \$18. Interest on parish note (Episcopal Fund), \$24.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$242.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50; value of goods sent to Westfield, Mass., \$28.20, — \$78.20. Domestic: Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$6.57; value of goods sent to Indians, \$27.85, — \$34.42. Foreign missions in general: Epiphany offering, \$8.17; collected up to Jan. 1, 1884, \$31.38, — \$39.55. Total for missionary contributions, \$152.17.

Total of contributions, \$5,889.22.

REMARKS.

The new Parish House provides accommodations for the Sunday school, the Guild, and other parish organizations. Its cost, furnished, has been \$2,730.20, of which a part has been accumulated in previous years.

About Christmas the Rector was obliged to relinquish work, on account of nervous prostration. He was given a vacation till Easter, and is now on leave of absence till October.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD.

The Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS, *Rector*.EZEKIEL RUSSELL and WILLIAM D. T. TREFRY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adult, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 103. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 91. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$1,200; sittings, 100. Parsonage: Value, \$6,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$65.52. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,026.03. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,091.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30. Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, \$5. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief

of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$6. Sufferers by flood in Ohio, \$17. Total for objects without the parish, \$58.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Missions in general, \$153.27; for the Jews, \$4.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$182.52.

Total of contributions, \$2,332.07.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above, the ladies have forwarded a box for Indian missions, valued at \$15.

GRACE CHURCH, MEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, *Rector*.

The Rev. JOHN B. RICHMOND, *Assistant*.

FREDERICK M. TILDEN and WILLIAM J. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms. Infants, 6. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, about 130. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 80. Parochial school: Teacher, 1; scholars, 18.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$123.60. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,800. Sunday school, \$120. Increase and improvement of church property, \$3,500. Other parochial objects, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,648.60.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH, \$123.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions in general, \$45; special, \$75; box of clothing, \$125; total, \$245. Foreign missions in general, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$305.

Total of contributions, \$7,076.60.

REMARKS.

During the past year the interior of the Church has been renovated and decorated, the choir and sanctuary tiled, a baptistery erected, and a beautiful font has been presented to the parish. A Parish Guild, organized in the autumn, has done very effective work; a portion of which has been the establishment of a weekly sewing-school, numbering about one hundred and fifty children. The Parochial School, established in 1882, has been much prospered, and has more than doubled the number of its scholars.

CHRIST CHURCH MISSION, MEDWAY.

The Rev. SAMUEL EDWARDS, *Missionary*.

Baptism: Adult, 1. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 2; total added, 7; removed, 2; present number, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 26.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Collections in church, \$124.54; subscriptions, \$45; donations, \$50;

Sources, \$337.24; total, \$556.78. Sunday school, \$10.75. Other paro-
bjects, \$30. Total for objects within the parish, \$598.53.

ECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$3.81. Episcopal
Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of
ocese), \$2.66. Total for objects without the parish, \$6.47.

SIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.52.
tic missions in general, \$2.58; Jewish missions, \$2.82; total, \$5.40.
n, \$8.89. Total for missionary contributions, \$24.81.

l of contributions, \$629.81.

REMARKS.

ank-offering of \$50, for providential escape from peril, was presented
all by a lady of Boston, as a contribution towards the cost of neces-
pairs of the turret of the campanile on the Church tower.

deficiency arising from scantiness of income *continues to be supplied*
e generous Churchman, to whom is due the effort to introduce the
h into this village.

TRINITY CHURCH, MELROSE.

The Rev. CHARLES LANCASTER SHORT, *Rector*.

H HARRISON WARD and ROYAL PIERCE BARRY, *Church-Wardens*.

tisms: Infants, 7; adults, 2; total, 9. Confirmed, 3. Communicants:
at number, 107. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers
achers, 9; scholars, 55. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total
ion of the property belonging to the parish, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

ECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms for poor, \$33.64. All current
ses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,063.82.
y school, \$13.57. Increase and improvement of church property,
Christmas Sunday-school festival, \$39. Total for objects within the
, \$2,210.03.

ECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention
\$13.50. Ohio flood sufferers, \$18. Total for objects without the par-
\$6.50.

SIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Do-
missions in general, \$31.50; Dakota League, \$19.40. Sunday school,
missions, etc., \$14.07; Lenten savings, for Indians, \$10.91; total,
Foreign missions, in general, \$12; for Miss Bruce's salary, \$3.25;
\$15.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$116.13.

al of contributions, \$2,392.66.

REMARKS.

ing the year, the entire interior of the Church has been painted in
colors.

parish has received, and placed in the hands of the Trustees of Dona-
the sum of five hundred dollars, in trust, from the late Horatio Nelson
as, for many years a Vestryman. To the glory of God, and to his
ry, there has been placed in the Church a new chancel-window of the
English stained glass, representing "The Adoration of the Child Jesus
Magi."

fund for a Sunday-school building has now increased to two thousand
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ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, METHUEN.

The Rev. CHARLES FILKINS SWEET, *Rector*.WILLIAM BEVINGTON and THOMAS BURNLEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 3; total, 14. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Added, 10; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 213. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 80. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, about 500. Building: Value, \$1,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,159.18; other sources, \$354.78; total, \$1,513.96. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,513.96.

TRINITY CHURCH, MILFORD.

The Rev. SAMUEL EDWARDS, *Officiating Clergyman*.CHARLES DOVE and GEORGE G. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adult, 1; total, 3. Communicants: Present number, 76. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 56. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 252; organ, \$1,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$34.78. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$108.83; pew rents, \$406.20; other sources, from Ladies' Society, \$105; total, \$619.02. Sunday school, \$14.54. Ladies' Society, towards payment of balance of debt on Church tower, and payments of Church choir, \$338.32. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,007.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$3.53. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$5.20. Total for objects without the parish, \$8.73.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$8.00. Domestic missions in general: from Sunday school, \$5.61; Jewish Missions, \$2, — \$7.61. Foreign missions in general, from Sunday school, \$3.17. Total for missionary contributions, \$18.87.

Total of contributions, \$1,034.84.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILLVILLE.

The Rev. JESSE ELLIOT HEALD, *Rector*.HENRY S. MANSFIELD and WILLIAM A. COLE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adults, 2; total, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 1; total added, 5; died, 2; removed, 4; total lost, 6; present number, 74. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$5,500. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, \$33.78. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$80.24; pew rents, \$395.53; investments, \$12; total, \$487.77. Sunday school, \$27.50. Parish library, \$3. Increase and improvement of church property, \$756.71. Other parochial objects, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,333.78.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$12.25. For other objects without the parish, \$1. Total for objects without the parish, \$13.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.00.

Total of contributions, \$1,364.01.

REMARKS.

By the assistance of kind friends in Boston and elsewhere, we have been enabled to put our church in good repair; and to them the Rector, in behalf of his people and for himself, tenders sincere thanks.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NANTUCKET.

[No Report.]

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NATICK.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Rector*.

WILLIAM HYDE, *Lay Reader*.

FRANK E. CUMMINGS and CHARLES QUINCY TIRRELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 9; total added, 15; died, 1; removed, 7; total lost, 8; present number, 70. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 68. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$483.47. Ladies' Parish Aid Society, \$285.33; total, \$768.80. Sunday-school offerings, \$37.98. Sunday-school library, \$16.50. Christmas festival, \$31.65. Total for objects within the parish, \$854.93.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$4.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.85. Missions in general: Sunday-school Lent mite-boxes, \$5.53. Total for missionary contributions, \$17.38.

Total of contributions, \$876.81.

REMARKS.

The number of communicants reported above includes several living in one or two adjoining towns, who attend church *occasionally*, and are reported, as they are connected with no other parish.

GRACE CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. GEORGE A. STRONG, *Rector*.C. B. H. FESSENDEN and EDMUND RODMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 23; adults, 2; total, 25. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 25; total added, 37; died, 5; removed, 2; total lost, 7, present number (List lately revised), 225. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars (including classes in Bible and Prayer-Book), 216. Church: Value, \$55,000; sittings, 600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$55,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$290.36. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$492.61; pew rents, \$4,161.76; total, \$4,654.37. Sunday school, \$32.01. Increase and improvement of church property, \$293.00. Other parochial objects, \$326. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,510.34.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$49.25. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$36.68. Church at Vineyard Haven, \$220. Erection of churches and chapels, \$76.58. For other objects without the parish, \$496.08. Total for objects without the parish, \$879.49.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$106.79. Domestic missions in general, \$36.22, \$47.02; box to "White Earth Mission," Minnesota, \$130; total, \$213.24. Foreign missions in general, \$39.08. Total for missionary contributions, \$331.11.

Total of contributions, \$6,886.94.

REMARKS.

The Rector was absent in Europe from August to April; and the pulpit was most acceptably supplied by the Rev. J. B. Duffield, who had charge of the services during Lent, and presented the class for confirmation on the Sunday next before Easter.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES HAYDEN PROCTOR, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 33. Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$20,000. School building: Value, \$200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$147.06; pew rents, \$921.75; donations, \$158.00; other sources, \$58.95, total, \$1,285.76. Sunday school, \$75. Increase and improvement of church property, \$666.79. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,027.55.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Foreign, \$17.60.

Total of contributions, \$2,045.15.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWBURYPORT.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

NATHANIEL FOSTER and ALFRED W. LORD, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Number stated in last report (1882), 275. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 78. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 10. Chapel: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,867.71.

REMARKS.

The undersigned, Wardens in St. Paul's Church, Newburyport, respectfully present to the Right Rev. the Bishop, that they have filled up this Parochial Report as far as they feel positive of its correctness. The late Rector, Rev. E. L. Drown, when removing from this Diocese to that of Florida, took with him the Register Book of the Church, and also retained possession of the *Old Church Record Book*, dating from 1715 to 1853; the return of such Books has not yet been effected. The Wardens are therefore deprived of the information required to complete this Report. The Wardens feel it incumbent on them, personally, to explain the incompleteness of their report, and also, in behalf of the Parish, to state the condition of some of their trusts.

NATHANIEL FOSTER, *Senior Warden*.
ALFRED W. LORD, *Junior Warden*.

GRACE CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, D.D., *Rector*.GEORGE S. BULLENS and WILLIAM S. GARDNER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms, 22. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Present number, about 50. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 160. Church: Sittings, 650. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$99,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, and other gifts for the poor, \$372. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$942.61. Sunday school, \$97. Other parochial objects, \$46.14. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,457.75.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$20. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$5. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$5. St. Luke's Home for Invalids, Boston, \$5. Christian or theological education, \$15. Erection of churches and chapels, \$46.86. Sufferers by Western floods, \$66.40. Special gifts, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$273.26.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$84.75. Domestic missions in general, \$45; boxes of garments, etc., valued at \$500, \$545. Foreign missions in general, \$30.95. Total for missionary contributions, \$660.70.

Total of contributions, \$10,391.71.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above contributions, a fund has been begun for a Parish House. The mission at Newton Highlands became a parish at Easter, 1884. The report of the new parish will be found under the proper heading.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WEST NEWTON AND AUBURN-DALE.

The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, *Rector*.

NATHANIEL F. NYE and ARTHUR F. CLARK, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 6; total, 24. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 26; total added, 34; removed, 34; present number, 105. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 67. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,241.43; subscriptions, \$56.56; total, \$1,297.99. Sunday school, \$1.61. Increase and improvement of church property, \$82. Sunday-school Christmas festival, \$45. Altar flowers, \$25. Poor, \$17.87. Alms-chest, \$6. Gifts to Rector, \$130.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,586.22.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Sufferers from the floods in Southern Ohio: From parish, \$19.02; from Sunday school, \$1.37. — \$20.39.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions: From parish, \$55; Eastern Convocation, \$4.25; from Sunday school, \$14.62. — \$73.87. Domestic missions in general: From Sunday school, \$3.77; for Mrs. Buford's work in Virginia, from Sunday school, \$20.08. From Ladies' Sewing Society, as follows, viz.: For Mrs. Buford (Virginia), a box of clothing, valued at \$33.61; for missionary (Springfield), a box of clothing and books, \$37.10; for missionary (Virginia), a box of clothing, \$41.88 from Young People's Sewing Society, a box of clothing for missionary schools at Salt Lake City, \$20. — \$137.58. Jews, \$7.24; child's hospital cot, from Sunday school, \$1. — \$8.24. Foreign missions in general, \$5; Mexico and Haiti, from Sunday school, \$70. — \$5.70. Total for missionary contributions, \$246.25.

Total of contributions, \$1,832.86.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

The Rev. BENJAMIN T. HUTCHINS, *Minister in Charge*.

RUFUS MOULTON and SAMUEL WARREN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 8; total, 17. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 6; total added, 13; died, 1; present number, 127. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 62. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$13,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: From all sources, including Ladies' Aid Society and St. Mary's Guild, \$2,150. Sunday school, \$82. Increase and improvement of church and chapel property, \$235. Other parochial objects, \$30. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,347.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund (including arrears), \$105. Orphans' Home, Newton, \$62.50. For sufferers from the Ohio flood, \$50. Total for objects without the parish, \$217.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.26. Colorado, \$10. Colored people in Virginia, \$18. Total for missionary contributions, \$39.26.

Total of contributions, \$2,603.76.

REMARKS.

The ladies of the parish and St. Mary's Guild sent to the Rev. Mr. Cook of Virginia four barrels of clothing, bedding, etc., valued at \$75.

On Easter Day a goodly number of beautiful and useful gifts were presented to the Church, as memorials to relatives and friends who worshipped in this old parish many years ago.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, D.D., *Minister*.

JAMES SIMPSON and ALEXANDER TYLER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 9; total, 21. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Present number, 45. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 57. Chapel: Value, \$4,733; sittings, 225.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Total offerings from Feb. 4, 1883, to date, \$1,200.38; subscriptions and gifts, \$1,561.11; memorial gifts, \$176.49; Ladies' Sewing Society, \$600; Easter offering, \$105; other sources, \$156; towards the land, \$205; total, \$4,003.98.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Box of clothing, value \$59.

Total of contributions, \$4,062.98.

REMARKS.

The services, begun in a hall at Newton Highlands, Feb. 4, 1883, were held there on Sunday afternoons until the completion of the chapel.

At the end of July, 1883, the new chapel was opened; and services have been held in it twice each Sunday, and occasionally through the week, mainly by Messrs. Ward and Winkley, Lay Readers. At Easter, 1884, the mission became a parish, and was duly incorporated.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH ADAMS.

The Rev. HARRY INNES BODLEY, *Rector*.

CHARLES H. READ and ANSON D. MINER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 23; adults, 1; total, 24. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Admitted, 19; received, 7; total added, 26; died, 3; removed, 6; dropped from list, 8; total lost, 17; present number, 150. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 178. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$85.05. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory,

\$452.06; pew rents, \$1,097.59; donations, \$428.80; investments, \$18.86; other sources, \$19; total, \$2,617.23. Sunday school, \$150. Increase and improvement of church property, \$38.53. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,890.81.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, Bishop's salary, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$30. Total for objects without the parish, \$105.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$63 13. Domestic missions in general, \$55 41; sufferers by Ohio floods, \$20; total, \$75 41. Foreign missions in general, \$23 21. Total for missionary contributions, \$161 75.

Total of contributions, \$3,157.56.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON.

The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE (*to April 30, 1884*), Rector.

WILLIAM C. ROBINSON and DAVID W. CRAFTS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2, total, 6. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 90. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 85. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$33.85. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,659.10. Sunday school and parish library, \$23.38. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,716.33.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Union relief, \$10.07.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.96. Domestic missions in general, \$10 30, Bishop Hare (from Sunday school), \$25. Total for missionary contributions, \$54.25.

Total of contributions, \$1,780.65.

REMARKS.

The Rev. J. Sturgis Pearce resigned, by letter of April 30, 1884, to "take effect from date."

At this date (June 20), we have no Rector.

W. C. ROBINSON, *Senior Warden and Clerk*.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORTH ANDOVER.

The Rev. AUGUSTINE HEARD AMORY, Rector.

ROBERT B. PARKER, *Lay-Reader*.

WILLIAM J. DALE and ANDREW D. BLANCHARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 5; total, 24. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 16; received, 1; total added, 17; died, 1; removed, 11; total lost, 12; present number, 57. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 105. Church: Sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$25.11. All other expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$94. Increase and improvement of church property, \$457.92. Other special objects, \$75.62. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,720.59.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Missionary box to Utah, \$37. Total of contributions, \$1,757.89.

REMARKS.

This parish is still a mission from Grace Church Parish, Lawrence. The services are carried on by Mr. Robert B. Parker, of the senior class of the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge. From the date of his ordination he will have charge of the mission, as assistant at Grace Church, Lawrence. Jan. 1, 1884, Rev. A. H. Amory resigned his position as minister in this parish, having accepted the rectorship of Grace Church.

GRACE CHURCH, NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH.

The Rev. GEORGE ENDICOTT OSGOOD, *Rector.*

OTIS STANLEY and ABEL R. BLOCK, *Church-Wardens.*

MEMBERSHIP: Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Baptized, 2; received, 1; total added, 3; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 66. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$11,000; sittings, 250. Parsonage: Value, \$4,500; other real estate, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$59. All other expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,338.85; pew rents, \$801.85; other sources, \$424.80; total, \$1,397.61. Sunday school, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,481.61.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.85. Total of contributions, \$1,497.46.

GRACE CHURCH, OXFORD.

The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Missionary.*

JOSEPH E. HARWOOD and LEONARD E. THAYER, *Church-Wardens.*

MEMBERSHIP: Present number, 10. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 175. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$23,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$9.21. All other expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$178.82; Ladies' Aid Society, \$77.65; total, \$178.82. Total for objects within the parish, \$188.03.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$4.72. Total of contributions, \$192.75.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PEABODY.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary.*EDGAR W. UPTON, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 2; total, 17. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 8, total added, 15; died, 1; removed, 5; total lost, 6; present number, 75. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 6. Church: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, reported in Missionary Offerings. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$842.66. Carpet for chancel of church, \$40. Organist, \$60. Repairing seats in church, etc., \$15. Total for objects within the parish, \$757.66.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Society for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$2.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15. Domestic missions in general, \$1, sufferers by flood in Ohio, \$5; sufferers by flood in Ohio, clothing, value \$20; Indians and Freedmen, \$1; Indians, box valued at \$15. St. John's Clergy House, \$1; Widows and Orphans of Clergy (General), \$10; Christianity among Jews, \$2; general missions, \$2. Faribault, \$2.50. Foreign missions in general, \$1; Miss Bruce's salary, \$5; Mexico, \$4. Total for missionary contributions, \$84.50.

Total of contributions, \$844.66.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, *Rector.*The Rev. JOSEPH M. TURNER, *Assistant.*W. E. VERMILYÉ, M.D., and F. E. KERNOCHAN, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 35; adults, 6, total, 41. Confirmed, 25. Communicants: Present number, 280. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$284.73. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$802.51; pew rents, \$4,224.97; investments, \$2,000; total, \$7,927.48. Sunday school, \$107.35. Increase and improvement of church property, \$250. Money pledged towards new church, \$6,741. Total for objects within the parish, \$15,063.06.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$47.25. Convention Fund, \$37.55. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$24.28. House of Mercy, Pittsfield, Mass., \$125. Guild work, \$75. Suffering clergyman's family, \$10.80. Twenty-five boxes sent to the Western sufferers by the floods, valued at \$250. Total for objects without the parish, \$578.88.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50; conversion of the Jews, \$12.31; total, \$62.31. Domestic missions in general, \$7.10. Foreign missions in general, \$10.02. [A mistake on the part of the

ctor has postponed the missionary offerings until after the date of the convention report.] Total for missionary contributions, \$79.43.
Total of contributions, \$15,721.37.

REMARKS.

The parochial work of St. Stephen's Parish has been greatly helped in the past, by the co-operation of its four guilds, as follows:—

I.

The St. Stephen's Guild, of young men, meets monthly, on the first Tuesday evening of the month, at 8 o'clock, at the Rectory.

II.

The St. Andrew's Guild, of boys, meets monthly, on the last Thursday of month, at 4.30 o'clock P.M., at the Guild Rooms.

III.

The St. Phebe Guild, of young ladies, meets weekly, on Tuesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, at the Guild Rooms.

IV.

The Guild of the Holy Child, of girls, meets weekly at the Guild Rooms, Saturday, at 10 o'clock A.M.

In reviewing our common work for the year past, the following are the encouraging indications:—

- I. The larger life of the Sunday school.
- I. The increased attendance at the services.
- I. The vitality of the different guilds.
- V. The effective co-operation of the Rev. Mr. Turner in the parish and at the Coltsville Mission, together with "The St. Stephen's School for Boys."
- V. The amount of money raised for the proposed new church fund.
- I. The new Rectory.

CHRIST CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

The Rev. CHARLES DOUGLAS BARBOUR, *Rector*.

CHARLES P. MORSE, *Acting Warden*; HARVEY WESTON, THOMAS RYAN, *Committee*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 1; total added, 3; died, 1; removed, 5; total lost, 6; present number, 45. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 45. Scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 175. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$6,700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$526.52; subscriptions, donations, and vestry fair, etc., \$375.21; total, \$901.73. Parish library, collection for, \$13.87. Other parochial objects: Offertories, \$11.94. Total for objects within the parish, \$927.54.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — For Ohio sufferers, \$11.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.60.

Domestic missions in general: Sunday school contributed \$1.20. Foreign missions in general: Sunday school contributed \$.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$12.30.

Total of contributions, \$951.09.

REMARKS.

Besides the above, we beg space to state that our parish has been encouraged by a moderate but steadily growing interest in Church life; and that, by the blessing of God, kind friends have been raised up to help us liquidate a debt of \$430, which hung heavily upon us.

For these timely favors our people thank God, and desire to make grateful acknowledgments to their several friends who have thus expressed a practical interest in Plymouth parish.

I have held three Sunday services in Duxbury Hall, one funeral and one baptismal service, and hold myself ready to render occasional services there, as soon as they shall have completed arrangements for permanent worship.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUINCY.

The Rev. HENRY EVAN COTTON, *Rector.*

WILLIAM AMORY, JUN., and PETER BUTLER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 38; adults, 3; total, 41. Confirmed, 7. Communicants, 200; admitted, 7; received, 20; total added, 27; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3; present number, 224. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 20. Sunday school: Officers (4) and teachers (15), 19; scholars, 170. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 300. Chapel: Sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, and special charities, \$150. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$380.45; pew rents, \$1,270.33; donations, 270; investments, \$266. total, \$2,172.81. Parish and Sunday-school needs, \$183.57. Increase and improvement of church property, \$300. Christmas and Easter expenses, \$126.70. By Sunday-school classes, \$23.13. Increase of Christ Church Fund, \$61.67. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,025.88.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45.50. Convention Fund, \$19.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$11.70. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$16.38. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$8. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$22.50. Christian or theological education, \$16.20. American Church Building Association, \$13.05. Fresh-air funds, \$21.77. Parish mite-chests, \$19.20. Church Temperance Society, \$21.15. Total for objects without the parish, \$214.95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14.50. Domestic missions: In general, \$19; special for Archdeacon Kirkby, \$22.50, special for Ohio sufferers, \$18; Indian missions, \$11.80; Freedmen's missions, \$14.05; Indian box \$43; box for missionary in the South, \$107; Lenten offerings of Ladies' Sewing Society, \$39; Jewish missions, \$12.60; total, \$286.95. Foreign missions in general, \$14.75; Mexican missions, \$19.35; Mexican missions, from infant class, \$20; Miss Bruce's salary, \$22; total, \$76.10. Total for missionary contributions, \$377.65.

Total of contributions, \$3,618.38.

REMARKS.

A mission was begun at Wollaston, Sunday afternoon, April 27, 1894.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCHDALE.

The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Rector*.

J. C. B. HARTWELL and CHARLES H. DEVOE, *Church-Wardens*.

Members: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Present number, 11. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 55. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$32.67. All expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$197; pew rents, \$52; Ladies' Aid Society, \$146.88; total, \$326.55. Sunday school, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$346.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$7.50.

DIACONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12.83. Domestic missions in general, \$10. Foreign missions in general, \$5; foreign missions (given by the Sunday school), \$32.66; total, \$37.66. Total for diacenary contributions, \$60.49.

Total of contributions, \$653.55.

GRACE CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN SHREVE and DANIEL B. HAGAR, *Church-Wardens*.

Members: Infants, 19; adults, 4; total, 23. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 3; total added, 7; died, 2; removed, 1; total present number, 144. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$246. All expenses, including Rector's salary, \$3,389.32. Sunday school, \$16. Proceeds of parish sale, 519.92. Easter offering, designated for "Chapel and missionary objects, including Nashotah, Conversion of the Jews, Woman's Auxilliary, \$275. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,446.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$27. Christian or theological education, \$20.75. Girls' Friendly Society, \$233.97. Salem Relief Committee, \$35. Christmas festival, \$63. Christmas offertory in charity, and wife of deceased sexton, \$82. Ohio suf-fom flood, \$44.92. Total for objects without the parish, \$559.14.

DIACONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$97.52. Domestic missions in general, \$50.08. Total for missionary contributions, \$147.60.

Total of contributions, \$5,152.98.

REMARKS.

June 2, 1884, will be the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Consecration of the church.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., *Rector*.GEORGE R. CURWEN and CHARLES E. BARNES, *Lay-Readers*.CHARLES H. BATES and CHARLES F. CURWEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 5; total, 12. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Died, 8; present number, about 300. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 17.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion and for poor, \$524.39. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$3,819.88; subscriptions, \$75; total, \$3,394.88. Sunday school, \$104. Increase and improvement of church property, \$200. Bible readings, \$50. Rectory Fund, \$105.72. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,468.99.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$21.13; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$50.82. City poor, \$43.75. Sufferers by floods in Western Virginia, \$60. Total for objects without the parish, \$175.70.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$87. Domestic missions in general, \$46; freedmen, 35; Woman's Auxiliary, \$25.10 and \$8; Divinity school at Faribault, \$100; aid to student, \$50; Nebraska missions, \$33; Indian missions, \$17; Mrs. Paine, \$15; Mrs. Buford, \$20; Sister Eliza, \$20; Tennessee, \$2. By Sunday school: Nashotah, \$20; Salt Lake, \$40; Woman's Auxiliary, \$4.75; Bishop Elliott, \$20. In boxes: Dakota, \$66.97; Faribault, \$84; Georgia, \$53.75; Texas, \$25. Total, \$764.57. Foreign: Miss Bruce, \$15. Total for missionary contributions, \$866.57.

Total of contributions, \$5,511.26.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD.

The Rev. ARTHUR H. PROFFITT, *Rector*.LEVI ROYS and FRANK OWEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adult, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 3. Communicants. Admitted, 3; died, 1; present number, 24. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 18. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$511.28; other sources, \$150; total, \$661.28. Sunday school, \$30. Increase and improvement of church property, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$791.28.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$10.50. Woman's Auxiliary, \$3; Indians, \$3.34; Jews, \$51; Bishop Jaggard (sufferers), \$51. Total for objects without the parish, \$17.86.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$37.

Total of contributions, \$846.14.

REMARKS.

The year in general has been one of marked success for the Church in this little village. It has been marked by a gain in the number of attendants,

and also in the enlarging and repairing our little Church. An entirely new foundation has been laid under the eastern half of the Church; and the chancel, before suspended, has been continued to the ground, enlarging the lecture-room. It was my intention to go on with the work this spring; but owing to my withdrawal from Sheffield, which is soon to take place, I cannot answer for the future.

EMMANUEL MEMORIAL CHURCH, SHELBURNE FALLS.

The Rev. CHARLES WADSWORTH DUFFIELD, *Missionary*.

SIDNEY H. CLARK, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Communicants: Received, 4; removed, 2; present number, 21. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 85. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 280. Chapel: Sittings, 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$17.28. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$169.94; subscriptions, \$384; donations, \$190; other sources, \$329.58; total, \$1,073.52. Donation for Sunday-school library, \$90. Collections in Sunday school, \$21.61. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,202.41.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.42. Domestic: Diocese of Southern Ohio, \$17.36. Total for missionary contributions, \$37.78.

Total of contributions, \$1,240.19.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, *Rector*.

REUBEN P. BENTON and SAMUEL REYNOLDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infant, 1; adults, 3; total, 4. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 13; received, 14; total added, 27; died, 1; removed, 16; total lost, 17; present number, 106. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$246.09; collections in church, \$726.95; subscriptions, \$742.61; other sources, \$196.15; total, \$1,911.80.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.60. Domestic: Box clothing, \$20; Diocese of Southern Ohio, \$13.16; total, \$33.16. Foreign missions in general: Through the Woman's Auxiliary, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$58.76.

Total of contributions, \$2,019.80.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, EAST SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, *Rector*.DOUGLAS FRAZAR and THOMAS J. BARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 33. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 5; total added, 16; died, 5; removed, 10; total lost, 15; present number, 191. Marriages, 23. Funerals, 32. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 21; scholars, 188. Church: Sitings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,650.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Contributions to Diocesan objects, \$31.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.

Total of contributions, \$1,706.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTHBOROUGH.

The Rev. WALDO BURNETT, *Officiating Clergyman*.JOSEPH BURNETT and LEANDER W. NEWTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adult, 1, total, 16. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Present number, 60. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 43. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,456.57; collections in church, \$34.64; donations, \$86.67; total, \$2,357.88. Sunday school, \$10.80. Bell Fund, \$750. Music, etc., \$11.50. Flowers, \$40. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,170.18.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic: Colored School at Richmond, \$40; Dakota League, \$20; Jews, \$9; total, \$69. Total for missionary contributions, \$119.

Total of contributions, \$3,307.18.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, SOUTH GROVELAND.

The Rev. ALBERT EUGENE GEORGE, *Rector*.CHARLES A. SHAW and HARRY N. HALE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 2; total, 11. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Admitted, 13; present number, 75. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 70. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$16.87. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$9.49; collections in church, \$191.52; subscriptions, \$1,000; total, \$1,261.01. Sunday school, \$75. Increase and improvement of church property, \$300. Bailey's reflectors, \$62.80. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,715.68.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5. Domestic missions in general, \$4.59. Total for missionary contributions, \$9.59.

Total of contributions, \$1,737.27.

REMARKS.

The Church building has been re-carpeted, and painted in the interior. This, and many other improvements, have been made through the kindness of Mrs. E. J. M. Hale, of Haverhill, Mass. Two large "Bailey reflectors," which do well in lighting up the interior of the church, have been given by the parishioners. The Rector has continued his weekly instructions in the elementary and higher branches of knowledge to the younger members of the congregation, and has in mind the construction of a suitable building (40×30) for the better prosecution of this work.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, SOUTH LINCOLN.

The Rev. P. H. STEENSTRA, D.D., *Minister-in-Charge*.

GEORGE GILBERT CHENEY and CHARLES EDWARD SMITH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Adult, 1. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; removed, 7; present number, 31. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$193.76; subscriptions, \$61.85; donations, \$220; other sources, \$832.72; total, \$1,308.33.

REMARKS.

The parish has expended about \$1,000 in building a bell-tower, and in finishing off the basement of the Church, to serve the general purposes of a Sunday-school room and parish house. Of this amount, all but a loan of \$200 has been provided for.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, *Rector*.

JOHN B. STEBBINS and JAMES D. BREWER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 52; adults, 7; total, 59. Confirmed, 26. Communicants: Present number, 560. Marriages, 22. Funerals, 14. Sunday schools, 2; officers and teachers, 38; scholars, 200; Bible class, 50. Church: Value, \$65,000; sittings, 900. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$70,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$436.32. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,246.50; pew rents, \$5,135.79; subscriptions, \$3,797; other sources, \$284.65; total, \$10,466.94. Sunday school, \$179.92. For finishing of tower entrance, \$422.25. For chapel and organ fund, \$268.47. For Christmas-tree, \$87. For Easter flowers, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$11,908.90.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$105. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Christian or theological education, \$40. Springfield Children's Home, \$330. Springfield Union Relief Association, \$221.50. Springfield Women's Christian Association, \$50. Springfield Day Nursery, \$74. Flood sufferers, \$108. Total for objects without the parish, \$966.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$60; box for a Diocesan missionary, \$60.—\$120. Domestic: Rev. Dr. Toomer Porter's school, Charleston, S.C., \$36; Bishop Tuttle, \$30; Indian Rights Association, \$38; St. Luke's Hospital, Denver, \$50; General Clergy Relief Fund, \$10; Sunday-school penny collection, \$2.62; box for St. Mary's School (Indian), \$50; box for Petersburg, Va. (colored), \$20,—\$238.62. Foreign: Sunday-school scholarship in China, \$50; for Japan, \$27; for Africa, \$27; McAll Mission in France, \$75; Sunday-school penny collections, \$5.25,—\$184.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$540.87.

Total of contributions, \$13,415.77.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STOCKBRIDGE.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Rector.*

DANIEL B. FENN, Jun., and WILLIAM PITT PALMER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 2; total, 13. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 1; total added, 6; died, 5; removed or withdrawn, 15, total lost, 20; present number, 143. Marriages, 2. Burials, 19. Sunday school: Teachers, 11; scholars, 55. Church: Approximate value, \$50,000, sittings, 225. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, approximate, \$50,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion (\$369.94; specially appropriated, \$230.28), balance, \$138.66. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,319.87; Sunday school, \$101.50; Increase and improvement of church property, approximate, \$50,000; parochial mission, \$300; relief of the poor, special, \$105.60; workingmen's supper, \$64; purchase of clothing, materials, etc., \$30.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$53,060.22.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$34.43. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Society for the Relief of Aged and Indigent Clergymen of the Diocese, \$57.04. Sufferers by the Ohio flood, \$72.32. Total for objects without the parish, \$186.29.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100.13. Domestic: Dakota League, \$91.77; scholarships, etc., \$275.07. General missions, \$27.55. Total for missionary contributions, \$494.52.

Total of contributions, \$53,741.03.

REMARKS.

Mrs. Susan R. S. Butler, the wife of Charles E. Butler, Esq., died on the 17th of March, 1883. Her husband and children soon after proposed to St.

Paul's Parish to build a new Church as a memorial of her. The proposal was accepted, and a beautiful stone Church is now fast approaching completion. When finished, it is to be occupied by the parish, and its title transferred to the Trustees of Donations. The last services were held in the old Church on the 17th of June, 1883; and, during most of the time since, the Town Hall has served as a place of worship.

A new organ is to form part of the memorial gift. The old one was given to the mission at Hingham. A memorial window, the gift of parishioners and friends of the late Rev. Dr. S. P. Parker, the founder and first rector of the parish, is to be placed in the chancel of the new Church.

The work of the parish has gone on as usual. Beside three missionary boxes, sent to different points, a supply of clothing was sent to the sufferers by the Ohio floods: 467 garments, beside bedding, shoes, etc., were sent; also a sum of money.

The Rev. S. H. Hilliard has continued to assist the Rector in carrying on the services at South Lee, which have been regularly held.

The list of communicants has been lessened by dropping from it the names of some who have for years been absent, though without transferring themselves to other parishes by certificate, according to the canon. It is to be regretted that some uniform rule could not be adopted, defining strictly who should be returned as communicants, and who should be dropped from the list.

CHRIST CHURCH, SWANSEA.

The Rev. OTIS OLNEY WRIGHT, *Rector*.

WILLIAM H. PEARSE and HENRY O. WOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adult, 1; total, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 3; total added, 7; present number, 23. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 200; investments, \$1,500. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$4,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$23.91. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$10.28; subscriptions, \$280; donations (salary), \$100; investments, \$72.75; other sources, \$115.32; total, \$578.35. Sunday-school collections, \$12.65. Parish library (proceeds of lecture course), \$21.78. Carpet fund, \$43.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$680.44.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Bishop Jaggar's flood sufferers, \$3.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.

Total of contributions, \$703.94.

REMARKS.

Two communicants, admitted while the Rev. William T. Fitch, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Fall River, supplied here, are reported for the first time this year, having been hitherto omitted from the records.

Fourteen at last report, with two omitted and seven added, make the present number *twenty-three*.

The Church was re-furnished with a new carpet last summer, and various small repairs have been made about the edifice within the Convention year.

The Rev. B. H. Chase, who was prominent among the first movers in the organization of this parish, and has since spent thirty years of continuous active service in the ministry, in three different parishes, has lately come back to his old home, and hopes to spend the remainder of his days in the fellowship and love of the parish where he began his Church life, and in the same house in which he was born about seventy-two years ago.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. FRANCIS MANSFIELD, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Total added, 8; died, 2; present number, 129. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 129.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, exclusive of \$70.04 at Easter, \$75.34. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$160.18; pew rents, \$851.32; subscriptions, \$415.79; donations, \$340; total, \$1,787.29. Parish library, \$219 20. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,061.83.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: Missions to the Jews, \$6.23; sufferers by Southern floods, \$12; total, \$18.23. Foreign missions in general: From Sunday school, about \$8. Total for missionary contributions, \$26.23.

Total of contributions, \$2,108.06.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEABOYD, *Rector*.WILLIAM C. LOVERING and WILLIAM H. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24; adults, 6; total, 30. Confirmed, 23. Communicants: Admitted, 24; received, 27; total added, 51; died, 3; removed, 7; total lost, 10; present number, 320. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 245.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$417.78. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$4,753.98. Sunday school, \$238.38. Parish house, \$55.25. Southern Convocation, \$27.64. For Robing-room, \$25.00. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,518.93.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$56. Convention Fund, \$45. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$42.00. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$47.23. Aid to other Parishes, \$150. Aid to Missionaries, \$334.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$675.67.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$335.04. Domestic missions in general, \$374.25. Foreign missions in general, \$127.75. Total for missionary contributions, \$837.04.

Total of contributions, \$7,031.64.

TRINITY CHURCH, VAN DEUSENVILLE.

The Rev. ARTHUR H. PROFFITT, *Minister*.P. G. COMSTOCK and ALEXANDER SNYDER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 6; total, 18. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; removed, 1; present number, 46. Marriages, 3. Funeral, 1.

day school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 65. Church: Value, 000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$56.69; subscriptions, \$227.25; other sources, .94; total, \$448.88.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$10. To Bishop Jaggar (for sufferers), \$4.12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Domestic missions in general (Archdeacon Kirkby): \$15; for Jews, \$2.40. Total for missionary contributions, \$42.40.

Total of contributions, \$505.40.

REMARKS.

The work here for the past year has been full of encouragement, both in attendance in general, and in interest manifested in Church work. Repair and painting on the Church and parsonage have amounted to about

This is all in addition to the amount named herein, in regard to annual receipts. The parish is poor, as well as Sheffield; and, when we consider how the populations are scattered, the report here given speaks for itself, although much more effort is made than is apparent.

GRACE MISSION CHURCH, VINEYARD HAVEN.

The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME, *Officiating Clergyman.*

WILLIAM D. STEWART, M.D., *Church-Warden.*

Statistics: Infant, 1; adults, 5; total, 6. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: present number, 16. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 125. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, and collections in church, \$201.96; donations, \$560.73; total, \$762.69. Sunday school (from the school, \$7.32), \$29.30. Valuation of church and furniture, \$1,901.30. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,693.29.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$2. Western flood sufferers, \$6. Vineyard Haven sufferers by fire, \$147. Total for objects without the parish, \$155.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$3. Total of contributions, \$2,851.29.

REMARKS.

My connection with Trinity Church, Weymouth, ceased April 30, 1883. On the next Sunday in November, I took charge of this Mission. It was organized Sept. 25, 1882, and the corner-stone of the Church was laid on the next day. Cottage services were held by Mr. R. A. Ottiwell, Lay-Reader, from November 1, until June 3, 1883, when the Church was opened for Divine service. Dedication by the Bishop of the Diocese followed on June 15. Since June 25, I have held two services on Sundays, and the attendance has much

outrun our expectation, — of late (at the second service), nearly filling the Church. It will thus be seen that it is not simply a "chapel of ease" for summer visitors. The little band of earnest people, by whose efforts, under God, our present hopeful position has been gained, greatly acknowledge large gifts of money, articles of furniture, and books for the Sunday school, from friends in other places. Special mention should be made of a donation of a lot (50×100) for the Church, by Col. A. B. Casey and wife, of Washington, D.C.

The baptisms reported were by Rev. John S. Beers, who also presented the candidates for confirmation.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WAKEFIELD.

The Rev. FREDERIC N. LUSON, *Rector*.

ADAM AUGUSTUS HAWKES and ROBERT B. BARTLEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adult, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 6; total added, 15; removed, 9; present number, 51. Marriages, 4. Funeral, 1. Church: Value, \$5,700; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Collections in church, \$314 27; donations within the parish, \$183.25, total, \$797.53. Sunday school, \$30. Increase and improvement of church property, \$87. For poor within the parish, \$3.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$868.03.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — To Bishop of Ohio, for sufferers by flood, \$7.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Domestic: Value of box for Dakota League, \$12. Total for missionary contributions, \$32.

Total of contributions, \$907.03.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, WALTHAM.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector*.

The Rev. HENRY SYLVESTER NASH, *Assistant*.

ISAAC GLEASON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 4; total added, 8; removed, 3; total lost, 3; present number, 60. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 80. Church: Value, \$11,500; sittings, 300. Chapel: Sittings, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$42.06. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Total, \$1,125.90. Sunday school, \$25.30. First payment on an organ, \$80. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,273.26.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$3.

Total of contributions, \$1,276.26.

CHRIST CHURCH, WALTHAM.The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector.*The Rev. HENRY S. NASH, *Assistant.*MOSES E. OSGOOD and OTIS E. HUNT, M.D., *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 3; total, 9. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 7; total added, 15; died, 5; removed, 7; total lost, 12; present number, 170. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$5,600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$140.49. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: \$2,477.41. Associated Charities, \$140. From Easter offering towards an organ, \$110. Increase and improvement of church property, \$200. Other parochial objects, \$113.41. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,181.31.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$45. Convention Fund, \$19.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$8. Clerical Retiring Fund, \$12. Theological Education, \$5. Other objects without the parish, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$109.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$60. Domestic missions in general, \$62.61; Jewish missions, \$4; total, \$64.61. Foreign missions in general, \$22.10. Total for missionary contributions, \$86.71.

Total of contributions, \$3,439.52.

REMARKS.

Since the last Convention the parish has disposed of a lot of land connected with the rectory, enabling them to clear off all their indebtedness, and to have about \$600 as a Rectory Fund, the income of which will help to meet necessary repairs and taxes.

Our various services and activities have been maintained as usual.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, WAREHAM.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

JAMES NICHOLSON EDMONDSTON, *Lay Reader and Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 8; total, 29. Confirmed, 11. Communicants, 12; admitted, 11; received, 1; total added, 12; removed, 1; present number, 23. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 1. Church: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 240.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$842.43. Sunday school: Offerings, \$29.30; contributions to, \$30, — \$59.30. Total for objects within the parish, \$901.73.

REMARKS.

This Mission was founded in the winter of 1883, the first services being held in a small upper chamber fitted up for the purpose, on Ash Wednesday,

Feb. 7, 1883; the Rev. John S. Beers, General Missionary, officiating, and administering the Holy Communion to nine (9) persons. Seventeen (17) persons attended the services.

Early in the summer of 1883, ground was broken for the erection of a Church in the village; and on the 20th September, 1883, the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by nine clergymen of the Diocese, consecrated the present Church, which was deeded to "The Trustees of Donations to the Protestant Episcopal Church, etc." The present Church is one which formerly stood in West Springfield, Mass.

Since the holding of the first service on Ash Wednesday, above mentioned, two services have been maintained regularly every Sunday, and a weekly service during the Lenten season; three services on Easter Day, 1884, — the Church being full at each service. The Holy Communion has been administered twenty (20) times; communicants averaging twenty-two (22).

The Mission has been in charge of James N. Edmondston, Lay Reader, licensed by the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese. The following named clergymen have officiated at different times: Revs. Malcolm Douglass, D.D., B. R. Gifford, John S. Beers, Alfred E. Johnson, J. Milton Peck.

The congregation has increased from the original seventeen (17) to an average attendance of seventy (70) at each of the Sunday services. All the children in the Sunday school, with the exception of six, recently joined, have been baptized. There is a Bible-class of ladies, which meets once a week, numbering fourteen members.

The total expenditure for the erection of the Church edifice, and all the expenses of maintaining the services, have been paid by the residents exclusively.

JAMES N. EDMONDSTON,
Lay Reader and Warden, Church of the Good Shepherd.

MISSION AT WATERTOWN.

The Rev. EDWARD AUGUSTUS RAND, *Minister.*

[REPORT FROM OCT. 21, 1883, TO EASTER, 1884.]

Baptisms: Infants, 4, adults, 3; total, 7. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: about 30. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, included below. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: All offerings at the offertory, Holy Communion, etc., \$203.42. Sunday school: Lent bags, for library, \$25.23. Total for objects within the parish, \$228.65.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Mission to Jews, \$2. Woman's Auxiliary, \$2. Total for objects without the parish, \$4.

Total of contributions, \$232.65.

REMARKS.

After several preliminary home and hall services, regular public services were commenced in Grand Army Hall, Oct. 21, 1883, and with very encouraging results. There are about thirty communicants in Watertown who are interested in these services. Morning congregations have averaged about fifty attendants. In the afternoon, when none of the churches in town have services, an average of seventy at least has been recorded. At special services the attendance has been much larger. A Guild has been organized, also a Ladies' Aid Society, Sunday School, Young People's Temperance Society; and a Young People's Mission Guild will speedily be formed. At Watertown is a large, populous, and growing district, where our Church has had no parish; and it is a field that ought to be cultivated.

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, WEBSTER.

The Rev. LANGDON CHEVERS STEWARDSON, *Rector*.JAMES H. HOWE and JAMES FRANCIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adult, 1; total, 4. **Communicants:** Admitted, 9; received, 5; total added, 14; removed, 4; present number, 110. **Marriages,** 4. **Funerals,** 3. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 100. **Sewing school:** Teachers, 6; scholars, 35. **Church:** Value, \$12,000; sittings, 320. **Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish,** \$12,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$70. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,308.39. Sunday school, \$93. Christmas tree, \$110. Sewing school, \$15. Reading-room, \$206. Ladies' Aid Society, \$93.70. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,896.09.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$103.25. Domestic: 1 box Dakota League, \$35.88; Ohio sufferers, \$34.20; total, \$70.08. Total for missionary contributions, \$173.33.

Total of contributions, \$3,144.42.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, WESTFIELD.

The Rev. HERBERT NOEL CUNNINGHAM, *Rector*.E. M. POMEROY and R. E. ENSIGN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. **Communicants:** Present number, 44. **Marriages,** 4. **Funerals,** 6. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 44. **Church:** Value, \$5,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$110.18 (see remarks); other sources, Ladies' Aid Society, \$117.11 and \$8.29; total, \$235.58. Sunday school, \$3.28. Total for objects within the parish, \$238.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$3.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.25.

Total of contributions, \$249.11.

REMARKS.

OFFERINGS. — There is no account of offerings from Sept. 2, 1883, to March 23, 1884; the Rev. G. E. Purucker having, according to agreement, retained them in payment of his salary.

TRINITY CHURCH, WEYMOUTH.

The Rev. CHARLES LUKE WELLS, *Officiating Clergyman*.EDWARD AVERY and CHARLES A. CHESMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 6; total, 8. **Confirmed,** 11. **Communi-**

cants: Admitted, 10; died, 1; present number, 53. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 53. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$193.85; subscriptions, \$206.60; other sources, \$58.48; total, \$461.93. Sunday school, \$24.29. Total for objects within the parish, \$486.22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Domestic missions in general, \$3.02. Foreign missions in general, by Sunday school, \$1.81. Total for missionary contributions, \$4.83.

Total of contributions, \$491.05.

REMARKS.

The Rev. John A. Jerome resigned his Rectorship in April, 1883; and from that time until November of the same year, the parish was without any regular minister. Since then, however, regular services have been held on the mornings of the second and fourth Sundays of the month, and on the afternoons of the other Sundays, by the minister of the Church in Hingham. The interest and work are being revived, and it is hoped that before long the parish will occupy a stronger position than ever.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILKINSONVILLE.

The Rev. JOHN GREGSON, *Rector*.

HARVEY DODGE and DANIEL M. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 4; total, 10. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5, received, 1; total added, 6; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3; present number, 65. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 5. Sunday school Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$87.20. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$352.85; donations, \$55; total, \$407.85. Sunday school, \$8.50. Other parochial objects, \$10.65. Altar cloth at Millbury, \$7. Total for objects within the parish, \$521.20.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$6. Margaret Coffin Prayer-book Society, \$8.96. Clergyman's Retiring Fund, \$3.90. Total for objects without the parish, \$18.86.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$33.35. Domestic missions in general, \$2.60. Foreign, \$2.60. Total for missionary contributions, \$38.55.

Total of contributions, \$605 81.

REMARKS.

The parish life of St. John's moves on in a quiet way, singularly free from remarkable events. By the death of Mrs. Catharine Thayer Dodge, the parish was bereft of a faithful communicant, who had borne a long sickness patiently. At Millbury, the ladies have purchased a fair linen cloth for the Communion-table. A guild for Church purposes, to be known as St. Philip's Guild, has also been organized.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION CHURCH, WILLIAMSTOWN.

The Rev. JOSEPH ALMON TICKNOR, *Rector*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. **Communicants:** Present number, 38. **Funeral,** 1.
Chapel: Sitzings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$433. Increase and improvement of church property, \$130. Total for objects within the parish, \$563.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.64.

Total of contributions, \$573.64.

REMARKS.

The ladies of the Mission, having worked diligently through the winter, realized at a sale at the Mansion House \$130, with which they have re-cushioned the Chapel.

MISSION OF THE EPIPHANY, WINCHESTER.

The Rev. CHARLES MORRIS ADDISON, *Minister*.

CARLTON P. MILLS, *Lay Reader*.

IRVING S. PALMER, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. **Confirmed,** 4. **Communicants:** Admitted, 4; received, 16; total added, 20; removed, 2; present number, 46. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 64.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$197.73; subscriptions, \$186; other sources, \$126.71; total, \$510.44. **Sundayschool,** \$50. **Sunday-school Christmas festival,** \$30. **Easter festival,** \$5. Total for objects within the parish, \$595.44.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston (box), \$40.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$7.26. **Domestic:** Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews, \$2; two boxes to Mrs. Burgwin, Aspinwall, Va., \$202; total, \$204. Total for missionary contributions, \$211.26.

Total of contributions, \$846.70.

REMARKS.

The services are held in the Methodist Church. A strong effort is being made to erect a suitable Chapel, for which \$1,500 have been already subscribed.

The interest in the work is perceptibly increasing. Thanks are due to the Ladies' Guild for its help in the support of the mission, and for its generous aid to others.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOBURN.

The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, *Rector*.JAMES FOLSON, M.D., and JOHN WALKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 22; adults, 6; total, 28. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 16; total added, 27; died, 2; removed, 28; total lost, 30; present number, 81. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 28.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$181.39; subscriptions, \$242.25; total, \$423.64.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WOOD'S HOLL.

The Rev. C. McILVAINE NICHOLSON, *Rector*.HENRY H. FAY and ALMON P. STURGIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Died, 1; present number, 37. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 21. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$30. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$243.88; subscriptions, \$1,522; total, \$1,765.88. For Christmas festival, etc., \$75.29. Christmas gift to the Rector, \$30. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,900.17.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$15. For the relief of Ohio sufferers by the flood, \$12.78. Total for objects without the parish, \$27.78.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100.

Total of contributions, \$2,027.95.

REMARKS.

Owing to the continued illness of the Rector, this parish has not been worked to its full extent; nor have the contributions, especially to missionary objects, been as many, or as much, as perhaps they would otherwise have been.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. LAWRENCE HENRY SCHWAB, *Officiating Clergyman*.EDWARD L. DAVIS and CHARLES M. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 47. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 350. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 37. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 43; scholars, 430. Church and chapel: Value, \$140,000. Church: Sittings, 900. Chapel: Sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$11,700. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$151,700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$628.85. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$7,770.83; subscriptions, \$3,780; donations, \$566.02; total, \$12,116.85. Sunday school, \$267.38. Parish library, \$23.13. Women's parish-work, \$234. Bibles and Prayer-books, \$82.22. Women's Missionary Society, \$66.69. Sundry objects, \$229.07. Total for objects within the parish, \$13,648.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$140. Convention Fund, \$60. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10.66. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$22.95. Orphans' Home, \$83.27. Church Temperance Society, \$74. Ohio sufferers, \$84.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$475.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$34.81. Domestic missions in general, \$108.83; missions to the Jews, \$22.14; Church in Biddeford, Me., \$50; Dr. Porter's Charleston work, \$71.10; total, \$252.07. Foreign missions in general, \$10.35. Sunday school: Lent collection for domestic and foreign missions, \$120.15. Total for missionary contributions, \$417.38.

Total of contributions, \$14,540.70.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. EDWARD SILVAIN CROSS, *Missionary*.

L. A. BISHOP, *Warden of the Executive Committee*.

. Baptisms: Infant, 1. Present number of actual communicants, about 60. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, about 110.

REMARKS.

This Mission, in pursuit of a long-cherished plan of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, was organized by him, March 11, 1883.

The first regular Sunday Church-service was held on the Festival of the Epiphany, 1884, soon after Dr. Huntington's departure.

The Mission, although not financially dependent on the Diocesan Board of Missions, is greatly indebted to the Rev. Mr. Beers, the General Missionary, for his services and oversight. Thanks are also due to the resident Clergy of the city, — the Rev. Messrs. Hague, Schwab, and Paine, — and also to Mr. Young, Lay Reader, for services rendered.

While the organization is not yet completed, the Mission is practically independent, although much indebted for friendly offices to many members of the mother Parish of All Saints, on which it is, as yet, canonically dependent.

A Church-lot in a desirable situation has been secured; and we break ground this week for a Church, which we expect to see completed in the autumn of the present year.

The writer has officiated at the Mission since March 9 of this year; and received from its Executive Committee, on Palm Sunday, a call to the full charge of the Mission, to date from Easter.

I have not attempted to render any financial statement for the brief period during which I have had charge.

I will say, in conclusion, that the members of the Mission are heartily united, and full of life and energy.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. HENRY HAGUE, *Rector*.

M. J. WHITTALL and JAMES CUNNINGHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 27; adults, 3; total, 30. Confirmed, 17. Communi-

cants: Received, 11; total added, 28; died, 2; removed, 7; total lost, 9; present number, 106. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 200. Church: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 250. Chapel: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 450. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$56.34. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$650; subscriptions, \$430; donations, \$70; other sources, \$200; total, \$1,350. Increase and improvement of church property, \$88. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,494.34.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Flood sufferers, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. General missions, \$25.41. Total for missionary contributions, \$45.41.

Total of contributions, \$1,540.75.

REMARKS.

The Mission at Cherry Valley is not included in this report, but is as follows: —

There have been four confirmed.

They have raised in Cherry Valley about three thousand dollars towards a new Church, and for the support of Divine Worship.

Beside the above sum of money, for missions and the flood sufferers they have raised upwards of twenty-five dollars.

There are twenty-five communicants.

There have been three baptized.

TRINITY CHURCH, WRENTHAM.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

CHARLES S. DOGGETT and ELIJAH POND, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants: Added, 1; removed, 4; present number, 42. Marriages, 3. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 13.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, to Feb. 3, and inclusive, \$25.27. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, and collections in church, \$93.72; pew rents, \$189.23; donations and fairs, \$248.50; other sources, pledges, \$56.25; total, \$587.70. Total for objects within the parish, \$612.97.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund (from Sunday school), \$5. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$1.50. Rectory at Lewiston, Me. (from Sunday school), \$3. Total for objects without the parish, \$9.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6.40. A part of Easter offertory, \$5. Total, \$11.40.

Total of contributions, \$633.87.

REMARKS.

This parish is at present vacant, the Rectorship having been resigned Feb. 9. Services have been regularly kept up, however, since that time; the attendance and offerings have been satisfactory, and it is believed that the outlook for the future is promising.

II.

PERSONAL REPORTS.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

During the past Conventional year I have performed the duties of the chair of Ecclesiastical History in the Episcopal Theological School, and have officiated in other ways, as opportunity has offered.

ALEXANDER V. G. ALLEN.

CAMBRIDGE, May 14, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

During the past year I have baptized two children, solemnized one funeral, and assisted frequently in administering the Holy Communion.

Respectfully yours,

WM. R. BABCOCK.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R.I., May 12, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

My work as General Missionary has been continued. My report will be found accompanying that of the Diocesan Board. Any statistics which do not appear therein will be found in the Abstract of Parochial Reports, at the foot of the columns. The services were held in thirty-one places. My visits included many more. I have officiated at one marriage and one funeral.

In my report in the Journal of last year, page 155, "Northborough" should read "Westborough."

Very respectfully,

JOHN S. BEERS.

NATICK, April 14, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D., Boston, Mass. :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—I have this year no services to report, having been disabled for work by impaired health.

ABBOTT BROWN.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

My age and increasing infirmities still prevent my engaging in the active work of the ministry.

During the past Conventional year I have baptized one infant, officiated at three marriages and one funeral.

Sincerely yours,

J. T. BURRILL.

CHELSEA, May 14, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

I would respectfully report, that, during the last summer, I officiated occasionally, in the English Church at Hamburg in Germany, and that, since my return to Boston on the 4th of December, 1883, I have preached, and taken part in the services, in All Saints' and St. Anne's Churches, Dorchester; Christ Church, Cambridge; St. John's, Roxbury; St. Mark's, Boston; St. Stephen's, Lynn; Christ Church, Waltham; the Episcopal Chapel at Lexington; and All Saints' Church, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati.

HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

My Dear Bishop.—During the last twelve months, I have officiated in the public services of the Church, and preached seventy-nine times. fifty times in the Diocese of Vermont, twenty times in that of Albany, four times in Massachusetts, three times in Minnesota, once in Kansas, and once in New Mexico. I have also baptized three children, solemnized one marriage, and officiated at seven funerals.

Faithfully yours, etc.,

E. H. CANFIELD.

ARLINGTON, April 22, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin Henry Paddock, D.D. :

I have held, regularly, Church services at home on Sundays the past year, one service at Barnstable; baptized one adult; solemnized one marriage, and buried one dead. These acts I have performed as a Priest of the Church of Christ. As connected with any parish, or as a missionary of the Convention, I have neither performed, nor have I been asked to perform, any service.

HIRAM CARLETON.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

During the past Conventional year, I have officiated as Chaplain of the City Institutions of South Boston.

Upon the resignation of the venerable Dr. Clinch (Sept. 1, 1883), who had served in that capacity for nearly a quarter of a century, I was charged with the work that he had so long and so faithfully performed.

My assigned duties are as follows: Morning Prayer, with sermon, is said each Sunday at the Lunatic Hospital; and Evening Prayer, with sermon, at the House of Correction. Daily duties are also required at the Institutions in connection with the prison library, the care of the Hospitals, the visitation of the sick, the burial of the dead, and personal instructions to those who have served out their penal sentences.

My congregation at the House of Correction consists of about one thousand men, and from two to three hundred women: average attendance, about four hundred. These are taken from every class in society,—high, low, rich, poor, refined, rude, educated, and ignorant.

Almost every trade, employment, and profession in the great world is represented.

The civilized nationalities also are seen here in miniature; every crime and offence against the "teachings of the Lord through the twelve apostles" to the nations is here made punishable.

Fifty per cent of such violations of law result from intemperance.

My Chapel congregation at the Lunatic Hospital consists of the convalescents of its inmates.

The attendance may be usually less than a hundred persons, both men and

en. Within the walls of the institution there would be about two hundred at any given time.

The patients are taken from all orders of society, but chiefly from among better educated, — many from the higher walks of life. Among the men to be found several from the learned professions.

Very respectfully,

SOUTH BOSTON, May 14, 1884.

JONAS B. CLARKE,
Chaplain City Institutions.

the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

Up to the 1st of September last, I continued to discharge my duties as Chaplain of the City Institutions at South Boston, being assisted in the Sunday services most of the time by the Rev. Julius H. Ward, and the Rev. Jonas B. Clarke.

On the 1st of September, finding myself incapacitated by the increasing infirmities of age, from the active discharge of my ministry, I sent in my resignation of the office, which I had held for nearly twenty-three years.

During the year past, I have united eight couples in matrimony, and have assisted at one funeral.

I am, my dear Bishop,

Very respectfully and sincerely yours,

JOS. H. CLINCH.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

I have officiated as opportunity and necessity offered and required during the year past.

J. I. T. COOLIDGE.

BREWSTER PLACE, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I hereby report, as required by Canon, two infant baptisms, preaching on several occasions, celebration of the Sacrament of the Holy Communion, and assistance at the celebration of the same.

Faithfully and respectfully,

F. A. FOXCROFT.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

Owing to the illness of the Rector, I continued in charge of the Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl, until the 1st of July, making a period of six months. Since then I have officiated in the following places, preaching, and often celebrating the Holy Communion: viz., on two Sundays in Barnstable; eight Sundays in Grace Church, Vineyard Haven; two Sundays in Sandwich; eight Sundays (also on Christmas and Good Friday) in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Wareham; and one Sunday in Natick. I solemnized a marriage in Grace Church, Vineyard Haven, and officiated at one funeral at Wood's Holl. In Wareham I baptized two adults and twelve children.

Faithfully yours,

B. R. GIFFORD.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned respectfully begs leave to report, that, during the last Conventional year, he has officiated chiefly as assistant to the chaplains both

of the English and of the American congregations in Rome; also that he has acted as *locum tenens* for the British chaplain at Leghorn; also that he has, since returning to England, officiated temporarily in the Diocese of Southwell, and that he has now accepted the assistant curacy of the parish from which he writes.

EDWIN WALTER GOULD.

MARHAMCHURCH, CORNWALL, 6th May, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D.,
Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — I would hereby make my report for the past year, during which I have continued to exercise my duties as Dean and Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, including the charge of St. John's Memorial Chapel.

As to the latter part of my work, I append hereto the statistics which should be included in the data of the Church's work in the Diocese. As will be seen, the Chapel continues to be, in its peculiar and non-parochical way, an efficient agency for the Church, both as regards the community in general and the University. In the latter respect, over a hundred college students have made it their place of worship during the year, of whom about twenty-five are communicants. A large proportion of them came commended to the Dean by their Bishops and Pastors. But this department of work has grown so important, and calls for so much more attention than it has been feasible to bestow, that, when the Rev. Mr. Lawrence was appointed Professor, he was especially charged, not only with aiding in the Sunday services, but with the whole care of the relations of the Chapel to Harvard students. It is a source of congratulation that a gentleman has been secured, so eminently adapted to this important field of influence.

As to my duties in the School proper, I have been appointed to the chair of Systematic Divinity; that of Homiletics and Pastoral Care having been assigned to Mr. Lawrence, who was chosen at the same time that the Rev. H. S. Nash was intrusted with the department of New Testament study.

There have been on the list of students, during the year now closing, twenty-six names, of whom sixteen belong to your jurisdiction; and I am happy to certify to their general industry and consistency. Three completed their studies last June, of whom two were ordained by you; and nine will complete their studies at the approaching commencement. This will make the total of men sent into the ministry eighty-four.

The School has suffered a severe loss in the death of Mr. J. A. Burnham, an honored Trustee and the Treasurer of the Institution, as well as an efficient friend and generous benefactor, whose memory will be perpetuated by the Refectory which he gave, and which bears his name.

There have been during the year not a few tokens of the Divine favor upon the School, both in material aid, and in expressions of growing interest in its work, which give increased reason to believe that it has an especial mission for Christ and His Church.

Yours very faithfully,
GEO. Z. GRAY.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D., Boston, Mass. :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — I resigned the charge of St. John's Church, Ashfield, Nov. 1, 1883, after a rectorate of about nineteen years; my health not allowing me longer to brave the winter climate of the hills, nor to continue in charge of a parish.

I need hardly say that the severance of my relations to the people of St. John's was a painful experience.

Since coming to Greenfield I have had little opportunity or strength for public ministrations as a clergyman. Once I officiated in St. James's Church for the Rev. Mr. Finch, and one Sunday in St. John's, Northampton.

Very sincerely yours,

LEWIS GREEN.

GREENFIELD, May 13, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

The undersigned respectfully reports that he has supplied vacant parishes, and has performed other professional duties, as opportunity has offered.

DAVID GREENE HASKINS.

CAMBRIDGE, 14th May, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have the honor to report, that, since the date of the last Convention, I have continued to discharge my duties as Chaplain at this Post; that I have baptized nine (9) persons, have married one (1) couple, have presented two (2) persons for Confirmation, and have officiated at nine (9) funerals.

In the report of the "Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen," etc., to the General Convention, in October, 1883, is this language: "In expressing our gratitude to those who have gladdened our hearts, and who have through this instrumentality visited the fatherless and widows in their affliction, we desire especially to thank one of our cheerful givers, the Church of the Good Centurion, Fortress Monroe, Va., which has sent us five donations, amounting to the sum of \$403." Since that time we have sent to that fund \$133.30; we also gave \$56.44 to the Church Mission to the Jews; and \$122.92 to the Rev. A. Toomer Porter, D.D., for the Church Institute in Charleston, S.C. We have also re-shingled the Church at a cost of \$421, and otherwise greatly improved the Church edifice. We have also contributed liberally for the general purposes of the Church at large, in answer to special appeals, and through the ordinary channels of the Church.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

OSGOOD E. HERRICK, *Post Chaplain, U. S. Army.*

FORTRESS MONROE, VA., May 12, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D., Boston, Mass. :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — I respectfully report that, since I left Gardner, I have assisted in the Service, and officiated in several Churches.

Yours sincerely,

J. C. HEWLETT.

LITTLE NECK, QUEEN'S CO., N.Y., May 16, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts :

I have baptized one infant, have celebrated the Holy Eucharist a few times publicly, more times privately, and have solemnized three marriages and five burials.

NICHOLAS HOPPIN, *Presbyter.*

CAMBRIDGE, May 14, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — I have to report that I have been unable to preach for the past year by reason of disability.

Faithfully yours,

JOSEPH JENKS.

MIDDLEBOROUGH, May 14, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—I beg leave respectfully to report, that since the end of last August, when I concluded my work as assistant priest at St. Anne's Church, Lowell, I have performed public and official duty as a clergyman every Sunday up to the present time. Until early in November, I officiated mainly in the Diocese of Massachusetts: since that time, with the sanction of my own Diocesan, and of the Bishop of New Hampshire, I have been doing missionary work in Salmon Falls, N.H., where a promising opening for the Church has of late presented itself. I would report, that, aside from official acts performed while assistant at St. Anne's, Lowell, I have baptized one adult and twelve children, have celebrated the Holy Communion ten times, and have officiated at two weddings and four funerals. I have also taken part in the examination of eleven Candidates for Orders in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

I remain, very respectfully,

ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON,

Examining Chaplain to the Bishop of Massachusetts.

SALMON FALLS, N. H., May 13, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D.:

The undersigned would respectfully report that he closed his Rectorship of St. John's Church, Charlestown, after a period of twenty-eight years, on the 1st of January, 1884. His official record during the last Conventional year, up to that time, is: Baptisms, 35; marriages, 19; funerals, 31. Since his resignation and removal to Boston, he has baptized, infants, 2; married 5, and officiated at three funerals.

During his twenty-eight years' Rectorship, he baptized 1,730 infants and adults, solemnized 553 marriages, presented 616 for confirmation, and officiated at 1,014 burials.

His residence is Hotel Oxford, Boston.

THOMAS R. LAMBERT.

MAY 14, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, Bishop of Massachusetts:

On the 1st of January I resigned the position as Rector of Grace Church, Lawrence, which I had held for over seven years, and on the same date entered upon my duties as Professor of Homiletics and Pastoral Care in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.

In addition to the usual duties of that position, I am charged, by the Trustees of the School, with half the work connected with the services in St. John's Memorial Chapel, and also with any responsibilities that may result from the relationship between the Chapel and the students of Harvard University.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—Except as a matter of form and duty, my report has but little value, as my clerical ministrations have been limited to occasionally officiating of a Sunday for some clergyman, and once in the marriage service.

Faithfully yours,

W. F. LLOYD.

OXFORD, MASS., May 13, 1884.

*To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock,
Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts :*

I was ordained Deacon, June 20, 1883. July 1, 1883, I entered upon my duties as assistant to the Rev. A. St. John Chambré, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Fall River, Mass. My work has been in general to assist Dr. Chambré at the Morning Service in the Church of the Ascension. In the afternoon I have held a Sunday school in Border City, two miles from the Church of the Ascension; also Evening Prayer has been said, and a sermon preached. In the evening I have read the Service, and preached at Flint Village, two miles from the Parish Church in the opposite direction. I have had charge of these two missions, St. James's and St. Mark's, and my work has included the usual parochial visitations and labors. I have preached occasionally in the Parish Church; have delivered a course of Lenten Lectures in both Missions, to young people, on the Conduct of Life. I have also to report the following, all of which are recorded in the Records of the Church of the Ascension: Eleven baptisms, three marriages, and five funerals.

Very respectfully,

ERNEST MARIETT.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts :

Dear Sir, — In accordance with the requirement of Canon, I have to report, that, during the present Convention year, I have officiated as follows: Celebrated Holy Communion six times, baptized one infant, officiated in the Morning and Evening Service of the Church twenty-six times, preached twenty-seven sermons, made two addresses, and assisted in services eleven times.

My address continues to be, as during the year, Norristown, Penn.

I am very respectfully yours,

W. McGLATHERY.

NORRISTOWN, PENN., May 12, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :

During the past Conventional year, my residence has continued, as heretofore, at Worcester.

In addition to exercising my stated duties as Secretary and Treasurer of the Central Convocation of the Diocese, I have read an essay before the Convocation, on the Aspects of Modern Christianity.

My most continuous clerical duty has been holding services for the newly formed mission of St. John the Evangelist, at Worcester, alternately with the Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington and the Rev. Henry Hague.

I have also, in the absence of the Rector or Minister in charge, officiated in the parish of All Saints', Worcester.

GEORGE S. PAINE.

WORCESTER, May 13, 1884.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop :

Since my resignation of Trinity Church, Wrentham, which took place on the 9th of February last, I have officiated several times in the sacred functions of my order in the Diocese of Massachusetts, and twice in the Diocese of New Hampshire.

I remain, Right Reverend and dear Bishop, with sentiments of respect and fidelity, cordially yours in the sacred ministry of the Church of Christ,

G. W. PORTER.

WRENTHAM, MASS., May 15, 1884.



To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

I beg to report that I have officiated nearly every Sunday during the year, partly by taking duty in parish Churches, partly by giving lectures. A course of lectures on "The Origin and Growth of the American Episcopal Church" has been delivered in the Church of the Advent, Boston; in Grace Church, Providence; in Calvary Church, New York City; in St. John's, Stamford, St. John's, Waterbury, in the Diocese of Connecticut. I have officiated at two marriages. The greater part of my time has been occupied with the work of a writer in the religious and secular press.

JULIUS H. WARD.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

Dear Sir, — During the past Convention year, I have been Assistant Minister of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.

I have also been Assistant Chaplain at the "Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children," conducting there, on Sunday afternoons, a service with religious instruction for the children.

The Episcopal City Mission has employed me to carry on our mission work at City Point. From July 1, 1883, I was appointed to hold a Sunday school and one service each Sunday at City Point. The Sunday school numbers at present some seventy-five children. At present, for a place of worship, we are dependent upon the generosity and kind interest of a gentleman and his wife, in whose private hall our school and services are now held. The work at City Point stands much in need of a Chapel or Church building of its own, and can never acquire strength or permanency until such a suitable building be secured.

The City Point work has necessitated on my part many calls. Besides the regular Sunday duties assigned to me at City Point, I have there conducted a weekly Lenten service, with an extra service on Good Friday. All these week-day services this year were an experiment, but I feel that it was one not made in vain.

For Baptism, Confirmation, Funeral, and Contribution statistics, I refer to the official report of St. Matthew's Church made for the past Convention year.

And I remain faithfully yours,

ALFRED FOSTER WASHBURN, *Deacon*.

SOUTH BOSTON, May 13, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. B. H. Paddock, D.D. :

The undersigned reports, that as Acting Chaplain of St. Luke's Home, Roxbury, he has held services Sunday afternoons, baptized one, presented two for Confirmation, and celebrated the Holy Communion monthly.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. WILKINSON.

CAMBRIDGE, May 14, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D. :

I have to report an uninterrupted round of Sunday and other work, excepting on one or two occasions when illness prevented; also constant labor with the pen for the press, and work in Church and other associations for the Church and man in some form.

WM. C. WINSLOW.

429 BEACON STREET, BOSTON, May 13, 1884.



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APPENDIX B.

CR. THE DIOCESE OF MASS. *in account with* C. H. LEABOYD, *Treas.*

By Balance from last year.....	\$429 17
By Assessment of Christ Church, Andover.....	18 00
“ Church of the Messiah, Auburndale	5 00
“ St. Peter's Church, Beverly	10 00
“ Church of the Advent, Boston.....	30 00
“ Emmanuel Church, Boston.....	97 50
“ Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston.....	27 00
“ Church of the Messiah, Boston	30 00
“ St. Paul's Church, Boston.....	120 00
“ Trinity Church, Boston.....	120 00
“ St. Margaret's Church, Brighton	12 00
“ St. John's Church, Charlestown.....	15 00
“ All Saints' Church, Dorchester	18 00
“ St. Mary's Church, Dorchester.....	22 50
“ St. John's Church, East Boston	10 00
“ St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain	37 50
“ St. John's Church, Roxbury	22 50
“ St. James's Church, Roxbury	45 00
“ St. Matthew's Church, South Boston	30 00
“ Trinity Church, Bridgewater	5 00
“ St. Paul's Church, Brookline.....	37 50
“ Christ Church, Cambridge	37 50
“ St. James's Church, Cambridge	22 50
“ St. Peter's Church, Cambridge	27 00
“ Calvary Church, Danvers	6 00
“ St. Paul's Church, Dedham	30 00
“ Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham	15 00
“ Church of the Ascension, Fall River.....	27 00
“ Christ Church, Fitchburg.....	27 00
“ St. John's Church, Framingham	6 00
“ St. John's Church, Gloucester	14 25
“ St. James's Church, Great Barrington.....	22 50
“ St. James's Church, Greenfield	18 00
“ St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.....	15 00
“ Trinity Church, Haverhill	22 50
“ St. Paul's Church, Holyoke	18 00
“ Christ Church, Hyde Park	22 50
“ Church of the Ascension, Ipswich.....	15 00
“ St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough.....	9 00
“ Grace Church, Lawrence	36 00
“ Church of Our Saviour, Longwood	30 00
“ St. Anne's Church, Lowell.....	30 00
“ St. John's Church, Lowell	21 00
Amount carried forward	\$1,613 42

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THE DIOCESE OF MASS. in account

	<i>Amount brought forward.....</i>	\$1,612 42
By Assessment of	St. Stephen's Church, Lynn	30 00
"	St. Paul's Church, Malden	18 00
"	St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.....	16 00
"	Grace Church, Medford	24 00
"	Trinity Church, Melrose	12 50
"	Trinity Church, Milford	3 53
"	Grace Church, New Bedford.....	37 50
"	Grace Church, Newton	37 50
"	St. Mary's Church, Newton	18 00
"	Grace Church, North Attleborough	10 50
"	St. John's Church, North Adams	22 50
"	St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield	37 50
"	Christ Church, Quincy.....	19 50
"	Christ Church, Rockdale	7 50
"	Grace Church, Salem.....	27 00
"	St. Peter's Church, Salem.....	30 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Southborough.....	12 00
"	Christ Church, Springfield.....	37 50
"	St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....	22 50
"	St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....	45 00
"	Christ Church, Waltham	19 50
"	Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.....	22 50
"	Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl	15 00
"	All Saints' Church, Worcester	60 00
"	Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton	18 00
"	St. Thomas's Church, East Somerville.....	10 00
"	Emmanuel Church, Somerville.....	15 00
"	Grace Church, Amherst	15 00
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C. H. LEAROYD, *Treas.*

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23.	Paid bill of Rev. W. H. Brooks, D.D., official expenses....	\$6 00	
26,	" Travelling Expenses of Rev. Mr. Lindholm,...	11 10	
1,	" bill of Sexton of Trinity Church	22 25	
14,	" " Secretary	314 00	
6,	" " Rand, Avery, & Co.....	605 55	
18,	" " Cupples, Upham, & Co.....	58 25	
21,	" " Rand, Avery, & Co.....	25 00	
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14,	" Assessment to General Convention.....	516 00	
11 10,	" bills of Rand, Avery, & Co.....	21 50	
3,	" bill of Bishop Paddock.....	29 14	
3,	" " Rev. Joseph Jenks	20 17	
3,	" " Treasurer	100 00	
8,	" " Mills, Knight, & Co.	6 00	
10,	" " for stationery and postage.....	8 50	
14,	" Appropriation to Episcopal Church Association.....	400 00	
			\$2,143 46
	Balance on hand		113 49
			\$2,256 95

**ANNUAL ACCOUNT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESAN
BOARD OF MISSIONS, 1883-1884.**

RECEIPTS.

From Amesbury, St. James's.....	\$11 00
Amherst, Grace.....	19 80
Andover, Christ.....	41 64
Arlington, St. John's.....	17 05
Ashfield, St. John's.....	6 00
Beverly, St. Peter's.....	10 00
Boston, Advent.....	101 00
" Ad. Saints.....	18 35
" Emmanuel.....	\$62 92
" Evangelists.....	8 00
" Good Shepherd.....	100 36
" Grace.....	20 02
" Messiah.....	60 47
" St. Anne's.....	16 00
" St. James's.....	63 15
" St. John's, Charlestown.....	16 00
" St. John's, Highlands.....	30 79
" St. John's, Jamaica Plain.....	06 00
" St. John the Evangelist's.....	142 31
" St. Margaret's.....	20 00
" St. Mary's, Dorchester.....	45 42
" St. Mary's for Sailors.....	2 30
" St. Matthew's.....	20 30
" St. Paul's.....	1,419 41
" Trinity.....	1,500 00
Bridgewater, Trinity.....	47 96
Brockton, St. Paul's.....	30 00
Brookline, St. Paul's.....	533 98
Cambridge, Ascension.....	19 07
" Christ.....	100 00
" St. James's.....	23 00
" St. John's Memorial.....	100 00
" St. Peter's.....	80 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's.....	10 00
Chelsea, St. Luke's.....	9 00
Cherry Valley, St. Thomas's Mission.....	5 70
Clinton, Good Shepherd.....	55 35
Concord, Trinity Mission.....	10 00
Danvers, Christ.....	10 00
Dedham, Good Shepherd.....	10 00
" St. Paul's.....	118 00
Eastern Convention.....	20 19
Raistrickton, St. Philip's.....	17 24
Fall River, Ascension.....	50 00
" St. James's Mission.....	16 77
" St. John's.....	23 00
" St. Mark's Mission.....	7 71
Fitchburg, Christ.....	66 75
Framingham, St. John's.....	38 50
Gardner, St. Paul's Mission.....	5 00
Gloster, St. John's.....	16 07
Gray Barrington St. James's.....	44 75
Greensfield, St. James's.....	94 17
Haver, St. Andrew's.....	28 00
Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist's.....	2 00
" Trinity.....	24 60
Hingham, St. John the Evangelist's.....	6 15
Holyoke, St. Paul's.....	60 50
Hyde Park, Christ.....	25 07
Ipawich, Ascension Memorial.....	10 00
Lancaster, St. Luke's.....	3 56
Lawrence, Grace.....	30 52
" St. John's.....	20 00
Lee, St. George's.....	27 48
Lenox, Trinity.....	150 00
Linden, St. Luke's.....	3 00
Longwood, Our Saviour.....	99 66

Lowell, St. Anne's.....	\$74 42	
" St. John's	27 00	
Lynn, St. Stephen's Memorial.....	81 14	
Malden, St. Paul's	50 00	
Marblehead, St. Michael's.....	25 00	
Medway, Christ.....	10 52	
Melrose, Trinity	25 00	
Milford, Trinity.....	8 29	
Millbury, Mission.....	8 33	
Millville, St. John's	17 00	
Natick, St. Paul's.....	11 85	
New Bedford, Grace.....	67 72	
Newton, Grace	84 75	
" Messiah	69 62	
" St. Mary's	11 26	
North Adams, St. John's.....	63 13	
North Attleborough, Grace	15 85	
Oxford, Grace	4 72	
Peabody, St. Paul's	14 96	
Pittsfield, St. Stephen's	50 00	
Plymouth, Christ	10 60	
Quincy, Christ	14 40	
Rochdale, Christ.....	12 73	
Salem, Grace	97 52	
" St. Peter's.....	82 00	
Sheffield, Christ	17 00	
Shelburne Falls, Emmanuel Memorial.....	20 42	
Somerville, Emmanuel.....	20 60	
" St. Thomas's.....	25 00	
Southborough, St. Mark's	34 00	
South Groveland, St. James's	3 00	
Springfield, Christ	60 00	
Stockbridge, St. Paul's.....	100 13	
Swansca, Christ.....	20 00	
Taunton, St. Thomas's.....	335 04	
Van Deusenville, Trinity.....	25 84	
Vineyard Haven, Grace Mission	1 52	
Wakefield, Emmanuel	20 00	
Waltham, Christ.....	60 00	
Webster, Reconciliation	103 25	
Westfield, Atonement.....	9 25	
Weymouth, Trinity.....	7 00	
Wilkinsonville, St. John's.....	25 02	
Williamstown, St. John's	10 64	
Winchester, Epiphany	7 28	
Wood's Holl, Messiah.....	100 00	
Worcester, All Saints'	40 66	
" St. Matthew's	20 00	
" St. John the Evangelist's Mission	7 11	
Wrentham, Trinity	64 83	
Individual and Special Gifts		\$8,738 48
Eastburn-Morgan Fund		1,266 00
Massachusetts Church Missionary Society		708 87
Balance from account of previous year		38 00
		65 74
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		\$10,817 09

PAYMENTS.

To Amesbury, St. James's	\$137 50
Arlington, St. John's	100 00
Ashfield, St. John's	150 00
Bridgewater, Trinity	649 99
Brighton, St. Margaret's	200 00
Brockton, St. Paul's	500 00
Cambridge, Ascension	300 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's	200 00
Cherry Valley, St. Thomas's Mission	308 33
Clinton, Good Shepherd	208 33
Concord, Trinity Mission	400 00
Danvers, Calvary	172 16
Fall River, St. John's	200 00
" St. James's and St. Mark's Missions	418 66
Framingham, St. John's	100 00
Gardner, St. Paul's Mission	321 68
Gloucester, St. John's	208 33
Hingham, St. John the Evangelist's	150 00
Lee, St. George's	350 00
Medway, Christ	200 00
Milford, Trinity	200 00
Millbury, Mission	200 00
Millville, St. John's	300 00
Nantucket, St. Paul's	188 68
Natick, St. Paul's	358 33
Newton, Messiah	300 00
North Attleborough, Grace	158 33
Oile, St. Paul's	88 33
Oxford, Grace	150 00
Peabody, St. Paul's	220 18
Plymouth, Christ	300 00
Rochdale, Christ	300 00
Sheffield, Christ	170 88
Shelburne Falls, Emmanuel Memorial	400 00
Swansea, Christ	300 00
Van Deusenville, Trinity	128 12
Wakefield, Emmanuel	386 66
Westfield, Atonement	281 81
Wilkinsonville, St. John's	200 00
Williamstown, St. John's	346 55
Winchester, Epiphany Mission	150 00
Wrentham, Trinity	150 00
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	\$10,170 91
Stipend and expense account of General Missionary, 1 year, March 1, 1883, to March 1, 1884	1,900 08
Publication and Distribution of "The Diocese"	509 10
Interest account	64 59
Printing, Stationery, etc	20 65
Expense of Missionary Meetings	5 65
Treasurer's Expense Account	50 00
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	\$12,721 19
Excess of Expenditure over Receipts, \$1,904.01.	

J. S. BLATCHFORD, Treasurer.

Boston, May 15, 1884.

**SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF
DECEASED CLERGYMEN OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL
CHURCH, DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.**

INVENTORY OF THE ANNUITY FUND, APRIL 30, 1884.

<i>Investments.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Policy No. 4,245, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Co. ...	\$9,891 96	\$9,891 96
" No. 3,848, " " " " " " ...	17,123 52	17,123 52
1,000 Chicago 7 per cent bonds (water), due 1890 and 1892	3,000 00	3,472 50
1,000 " " " (sewer), " 1884 " 1884	3,000 00	3,185 00
1,000 Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis Rail- road Company 7 per cent bonds, due 1899	5,000 00	6,225 00
2,000 Newport, Ky., 7 3-10 per cent bonds (water), due 1901 ..	2,000 00	2,320 00
1,000 Boston 5 per cent bond (registered), due 1905	1,000 00	1,198 75
1,000 Massachusetts 5 per cent bonds (registered) due 1893 and 1894	4,000 00	4,640 00
1,000 Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago Railroad Company, due 1920	1,000 00	990 00
5 shares Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago Railroad Company.....	500 00	285 00
5 shares Great Falls Manufacturing Company	500 00	323 75
26 " Atlantic Cotton Mills	2,600 00	2,938 00
15 " Lyman Mills	1,500 00	1,140 00
22 " State National Bank... ..	2,200 00	2,755 50
15,000 Burlington and Missouri River (in Nebraska) Railroad Company 6 per cent bonds (exempt), due 1918.	5,000 00	5,800 00
3,000 Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad Company 4 per cent bonds (Denver division), due 1922.....	3,000 00	2,715 00
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	\$61,315 48	\$65,003 98

INVENTORY OF THE CHARITY FUND, APRIL 30, 1884.

<i>Investments.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Policy No. 3,854, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Co.....	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00
\$7,000 Eastern Railroad Co. 6 per cent (gold) bonds, due 1906..	7,000 00	7,665 00
4,000 New Bedford Railroad Co. 7 per cent bonds, due 1894 ...	4,000 00	4,720 00
4,000 Burlington and Missouri River (in Nebraska) Railroad Company 6 per cent bonds (non-exempt), due 1918	4,000 00	4,240 00
30 shares Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and Chicago Railroad Company.....	3,000 00	1,710 00
25 shares Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fé Railroad Co.....	2,500 00	1,893 75
4 " Massachusetts National Bank	1,000 00	1,116 25
7 " Washington National Bank	700 00	925 50
14 " Boston National Bank.....	1,400 00	1,690 50
17 " Traders' National Bank	1,700 00	1,596 75
20 " Webster National Bank.....	2,000 00	2,130 00
18 " Second National Bank	1,800 00	2,916 00
20 " National Bank of North America.....	2,000 00	2,215 00
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	\$36,100 00	\$37,818 75

PAYMENTS.

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Arlington, St. John's	150 00
Ashfeld, St. John's	150 00
Bridgewater, Trinity	449 99
Brighton, St. Margaret's	200 00
Brockton, St. Paul's	500 00
Cambridge, Ascension	300 00
Chelmsford, St. Anne's	200 00
Cherry Valley, St. Thomas's Mission	208 32
Clinton, Good Shepherd	208 32
Concord, Trinity Mission	400 00
Danvers, Calvary	179 14
Fall River, St. John's	200 00
" St. James's and St. Mark's Missions	478 68
Frammingham, St. John's	100 00
Gardner, St. Paul's Mission	221 64
Gloucester, St. John's	208 32
Hingham, St. John the Evangelist's	150 00
Lee, St. George's	340 00
Medway, Christ	200 00
Milford, Trinity	200 00
Millbury, Mission	200 00
Millville, St. John's	200 00
Nantucket, St. Paul's	188 84
Natick, St. Paul's	348 33
Newton, Messiah	300 00
North Attleborough, Grace	158 39
Otis, St. Paul's	83 33
Oxford, Grace	150 00
Peabody, St. Paul's	229 16
Plymouth, Christ	300 00
Rochdale, Christ	300 00
Sheffield, Christ	170 88
Shelburne Falls, Emmanuel Memorial	400 00
Swansea, Christ	200 00
Van Deusenville, Trinity	128 12
Wakefield, Emmanuel	866 66
Westfield, Atonement	281 51
Williamsonville, St. John's	200 00
Williamstown, St. John's	245 56
Winchester, Epiphany Mission	160 00
Wrentham, Trinity	150 00
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Stipend and expense account of General Missionary, 1 year, March 1, 1883, to March 1, 1884	\$10,170 91
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	\$12,731 15
Excess of Expenditure over Receipts, \$1,904.01.	
Boston, May 15, 1884.	J. S. BLATCHFORD, Treasurer.

Dr. *HARBOUR AMORY, Treasurer, in account with the SOCIETY FOR*

1883.		Charity.	Annuity.
May 1,	To cash on hand	\$9 43 61	\$565 47
" 8,	To contribution from St. Paul's Church, Holyoke	6 00	
June 22,	To contribution from Church of the Ascension, Fall River,	6 00	
July 7,	To amount received for \$1,000 5 per cent bond, No. 7,184, Burlington and Missouri River (in Nebraska) Railroad Company, called	1,000 00	
" 16,	To contribution from St. Thomas's Church, Taunton	18 00	
Oct. 15,	To contribution from St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain	25 00	
Nov. 30,	To contribution from Grace Church, Lawrence	95 40	
Dec. 3,	To contribution from St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield	24 28	
" 12,	To contribution from St. James's Church, Great Barrington,	12 16	
" 15,	To contribution from Christ Church, Quincy	11 70	
" 16,	To amount return tax on bank stock	176 43	
" 28,	To contribution from Trinity Church, Wrentham	1 60	
1884.			
Jan. 1,	To amount received from \$1,000 5 per cent bond, City of Boston, maturing and paid to-day		1,000 00
" 31,	To contribution from Grace Church, New Bedford		
March 18,	To contribution from Church of Our Saviour, Longwood ..	26 16	
" 25,	To contribution from St. Paul's Church, Holyoke	4 50	
April 15,	To contribution from Christ Church, Waltham	6 00	
" 16,	To contribution from St. Paul's Church, Peabody	2 50	
" 30,	To amount received in dividends and interest, to date	2,012 00	2,126 46
" 30,	To amount received from payments of annuitants, to date ..		353 50
" 30,	To amount received from dues of members, to date	30 00	
		\$4,431 00	\$5,047 43

THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN. CR.

1883.		Charity.	Annuity.
May 14,	By amount paid Rand, Avery, & Co., for printing by-laws,		\$9 75
June 1,	By amount paid for rent of safe-deposit vaults.....	\$5 00	15 00
" 26,	By amount paid for contract cancelled		526 75
July 20,	By amount paid for 18 shares Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fé Railroad Company.....	1,469 25	
1884.			
Jan. 1,	By amount addition to Policy 3,848, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company		658 00
" 1,	By amount addition to Policy 4,245, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company		380 46
" 16,	By amount paid for \$1,000 4 per cent bond, Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad Co. (Denver division) ..		895 83
" 18,	By amount paid for \$2,000 4 per cent bonds, Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad Co. (Denver division) ..		1,787 11
" 26,	By amount paid for 7 shares Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fé Railroad Company.....	518 88	
March 18,	By amount paid for 1/4 share Traders' National Bank, to exchange 20 old shares for 17 new, capital reduced....	32 00	
April 30,	By amount paid to annuitants, widows and orphans, to date,		525 00
" 30,	By amount paid to widows and orphans, to date.....	1,960 00	
" 30,	By cash on hand	446 77	249 03
		\$4,431 90	\$5,047 53

Boston, May 8, 1884. The undersigned have examined the foregoing account, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched. We have seen the evidences of property on hand belonging to the Society, amounting in all at par value to \$97,415.48, at a market value of \$102,822.73.

JOS. S. FAY,
FRANCIS C. FOSTER,
Auditing Committee.

APPENDIX C.

A Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A.M.

At the hour appointed for the opening of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows. —

I. 1. The Lord's Prayer, and the "Prayer to be used at the Meetings of Conventions."

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats in the Convention. He shall then call the names of Parishes, and receive certificates, as by Sect. 4, Canon 2, Title I.

3. The President shall appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to whom the list of the Clergy and the Credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred.

II. Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

III. 1. Immediately after Divine Service, the Committee on Qualifications shall report. The Convention shall act at once and without debate, upon all undisputed names and credentials. All questions of membership raised by the Committee or by the Convention shall be laid aside temporarily.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees: viz., a Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, to consist of three Clergymen and three Laymen; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to consist of five members, three Clergymen and two Laymen, an Executive Committee, — for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this Body, and for recommending the time and place for holding the next Convention, — to consist of three members, two Clergymen and one Layman; a Committee on Unfinished Business, and a Committee on Finance, to consist each of three members, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

8. A recess shall be ordered.

P.M.

IV. Report of the Committee on Qualifications, on Certificates and Documents, laid aside. The Convention shall take immediate action. Subsequent Reports of the Committee on Qualifications shall be in order at any time.

V. 1. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he shall prefer another time for its delivery.

2. Reference of matters therein contained, if so ordered, to Committees.

3. Presentation of subjects by resolutions, to be referred without debate to Standing or Special Committees.

VI. Reports and actions upon them, in the following order:—

1. Parochial Reports to be received by the Bishop.

2. Report from the Committee on New Parishes, the Admission of the Parishes, and the Reception of their Lay Delegates.

3. Report from the Standing Committee.

4. Report from the Diocesan Board of Missions.

5. Reports from the Convocations.

6. Reports from Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

7. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.

8. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

9. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

10. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.

11. Report from Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches, etc.

12. Report from the Trustees of Donations.

13. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.

14. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

15. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

16. Reports from any other Church or Charitable Societies recognized by the Convention.

17. Reports from any of the Standing Committees of the Convention, in their order, as in III., 6. If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed; and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.

VII. Miscellaneous business.

VIII. Adjournment to the second day.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

IX. 1. Morning Prayer at 9 A.M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the first day, and action upon them.

3. The calling of the roll.

X. 1. The finishing of the business which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

2. The disposal of unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

XI. 1. The Standing Committees shall be called in their order; reports may be received from any of them, and action may be taken thereon.

2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the session, and action thereon.

XII. Miscellaneous business.

XIII. Elections, to be proceeded with at 11 o'clock A.M., in the following order:—

1. Of Treasurer of the Convention.

2. Of Registrar.

3. Of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

4. Of Deputies to the General Convention.

5. Selection of persons to be nominated to the General Convention, or to the Board of Trustees, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

6. Election of Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

7. Election of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

8. Election of Committee on entertaining the Clerical Members of the Convention.

XIV. Miscellaneous business.

XV. Adjournment to the third day, if the Convention be prolonged.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

XVI. 1. Morning Prayer, reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.

2. The disposal of the unfinished business of the Convention, in the order above prescribed.

XVII. When the Convention shall be prepared to adjourn without day, there shall be reading of the Minutes not already approved, and action thereon; then, after Prayers and Benediction by the President, the Convention shall stand so adjourned, without day.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention; nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover, and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Convention; and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order—1, To lay on the table, 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit, 4, To amend, 5, To postpone indefinitely, and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the Minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action allowed by Rule V. shall have been taken; but, with the consent of the Convention,

A mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken, or it has been put upon its passage, in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the tellers or Committee appointed to count the ballots withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention, on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained. The Secretary of the Convention shall cause to be printed, and distributed among the members of the Convention, two (2) printed ballots as follows: The first shall be headed, "Standing Committee elected by the preceding Convention;" then shall follow the names of the members of said Standing Committee. The second shall be headed, "Deputies to the General Convention elected by the preceding Convention." Then shall follow the names of such Deputies and Substitutes; and this second ticket shall be presented to that Convention only when such action would be in order. And in each ballot there shall be, after the printed names, a blank space not less than the amount of space occupied by the printed matter in each ticket.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall leave his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

GUIDE IN ORGANIZING NEW PARISHES.

A Resolution of the Convention (Journal of 1871, pp. 45, 46, and 196) recommended, as a guide to new Parishes in organizing, Form of Constitution and By-Laws.

At the Meeting of the Convention in 1883, a Special Committee was appointed to consider the possible legality of the Form for Constitution and By-Laws in the organization of Parishes.

At the Meeting of the Convention in 1884, this Committee reported a Form of Constitution or By-Laws for Parishes, which (Journal of 1884, pp. 90-93) was substituted for that adopted in 1871.

The Form adopted in 1884 is preceded by important requirements of the Constitution of the Diocese; viz., —

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Arti-

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When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention; nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover; and every motion shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read and entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise determined by the Convention; and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order—1, To lay on the table; 2, To postpone to a day certain; 3, To commit; 4, To amend; 5, To postpone indefinitely; and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the Minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action allowed by Rule V. shall have been taken; but, with the consent of the Convention,

he mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken, or it has been put upon its passage, in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the Tellers or Committee appointed to count the ballots withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held; and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention, on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote; and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained. The Secretary of the Convention shall cause to be printed, and distributed among the members of the session, two (2) printed ballots as follows: The first shall be headed, "Standing Committee elected by the preceding Convention;" then shall follow the names of the members of said Standing Committee. The second shall be headed, "Deputies to the General Convention elected by the preceding Convention." Then shall follow the names of such Deputies and Substitutes; and this second ticket shall be presented to that Convention only when such election would be in order. And in each ballot there shall be, after the printed names, a blank space not less than the amount of space occupied by the printed matter in each ticket.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of Business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

GUIDE IN ORGANIZING NEW PARISHES.

A Resolution of the Convention (Journal of 1871, pp. 45, 46, and 196) recommended, as a guide to new Parishes in organizing, a Form of Constitution and By-Laws.

At the Meeting of the Convention in 1883, a Special Committee was appointed to consider the possible legality of the Form for Constitution and By-Laws in the organization of Parishes.

At the Meeting of the Convention in 1884, this Committee reported a Form of Constitution or By-Laws for Parishes, which (Journal of 1884, pp. 90-93) was substituted for that adopted in 1871.

The Form adopted in 1884 is preceded by important requirements of the Constitution of the Diocese; viz., —

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Arti-

cles of Association, or other satisfactory evidence of its organization or, if specially incorporated, of its Charter), and of its Constitution and By-Laws: in which it must be declared that such Parish accedes to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship, the Constitution and Canons, of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and such Parish shall lay before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens and Vestry, that it has been duly organized as such for the space of one year, and during that time has held regular public services.

SECT. 2. Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter, and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese, at least one month before the Annual Session of the Convention, and be approved by them respectively; or, if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention the reasons in writing of such disapproval. The whole subject, with all the documents, shall be referred to a special committee of three Clerical and three Lay Members of the Convention, to report thereon.

The Resolution and the Recommended Form of Constitution or By-Laws for Parishes are as follows:—

Resolved, That in order to secure as much uniformity as local circumstances will permit, and also to place the management of Parish affairs on a wise and just basis, the following Form of Constitution or By-Laws is recommended:—

FORM OF BY-LAWS FOR PARISHES, RECOMMENDED BY THE CONVENTION.

[*Note that ten or more persons are required in order to form a religious society under the laws of Massachusetts. The forms to be observed in order to become a corporation are very distinctly stated in the Public Statutes, Chapter 38, Sections 25 and 26.*]

CONSTITUTION OR BY-LAWS.

[Date]

PREAMBLE.

1 The undersigned have associated themselves together for the
2 purpose of maintaining the public worship of Almighty God,
3 according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal
4 Church in the United States of America, under the name . .
5 [*The name should include the word "Parish" and the place*], . . .
6 and have adopted the following articles as the By-Laws of the
7 Parish.

I.

AUTHORITY ACKNOWLEDGED.

1 This Parish accedes to the constitution, canons, doctrine, dis-
2 cipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the
3 United States of America, and to the constitution and canons
4 of the Diocese of Massachusetts, and acknowledges their author-
5 ity.

II.

MEMBERSHIP.

Pub. Stat. 1 Any baptized male person of the age of twenty-one years, who
Chap. 38, 2 has signed the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish, and who
§ 4. 3 has aided in maintaining public worship therein for a period of

twelve months immediately preceding any meeting, either by regular attendance thereon or by pecuniary aid in hiring a sitting, or otherwise, shall be considered a member of the Parish, and entitled to vote in its affairs; and any member who, for the space of twelve consecutive months, shall have refrained from regular worship, and from contributing toward the support of the Parish, may, by a vote of the Parish, be dropped from the list of members. No person who disclaims or refuses conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church shall be eligible to office in the Parish, or entitled to vote in its affairs.

Taylor v. Edson,
4 Cushing's Reports,
p. 522.
Pub. Stats.
Chap. 38,
§ 5.

III.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter week, in such place as the Wardens and Vestry may appoint, for the choice by ballot of two Wardens, who shall be communicants in this Church, and who shall perform the duty of Assessors; a Treasurer, who shall be the Collector; a Clerk; and — Vestrymen. All of the above-named officers and the Rector shall constitute the board of Rector, Wardens, and Vestry, — hereinafter denominated "the Vestry," — and they shall serve until the next annual meeting, and until others are elected and qualified in their stead. The Wardens, Treasurer, and Clerk shall be sworn. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall also be chosen at the annual meeting, in such manner as the members present may determine.

Pub. Stats.
Chap. 38,
§§ 10, 43.

Pub. Stats.
Chap. 38,
§§ 9, 14.

IV.

SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Special meetings may be called by the Wardens or Vestry at any time, and shall be called by the Wardens whenever so requested in writing by the Rector or by five members of the Parish. Vacancies in any office may be filled at any Parish meeting.

Pub. Stats.
Chap. 38,
§§ 10, 43,
12, 17.

V.

WARRANT AND PRESIDING OFFICER.

All meetings of the Parish shall be warned by posting an attested copy of the warrant calling the same upon one of the doors of usual public entrance to the church or place of worship occupied by the Parish, seven days at least before the day fixed for the meeting. The Rector if present, or in his absence one of the Wardens, shall preside; in the absence of the Rector and the Wardens, a moderator shall be chosen by ballot, — members present shall suffice for a quorum. Nothing acted upon at a Parish meeting shall have any legal operation, unless the subject matter thereof was inserted in the warrant for such meeting.

Pub. Stats.
Chap. 38,
§§ 43, 14.
Pub. Stats.
Chap. 38,
§ 12.

APPENDIX C.

VI.

AUTHORITY OF THE RECTOR.

1 The Rector shall have entire control of all things relating to the
 2 time and manner of public worship in the church, the music, the
 3 choristers, and the furniture and arrangement of the chancel,
 4 but he shall have no power to bind the Parish to the payment of
 5 money. No person shall be eligible to the office of Rector unless
 6 he is a qualified minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church in
 7 good standing. The Rector shall be chosen by the Vestry, at
 8 a meeting called for that purpose.

VII.

WARDENS.

1 It shall be the duty of the Wardens to provide the furniture,
 2 books, vestments, and all things necessary for the due celebra-
 3 tion of Divine Service; to collect the alms, and to disburse the
 4 same when the Parish is destitute of a Rector; and, in the ab-
 5 sence of the Rector, or during a vacancy in that office, to pro-
 6 vide for the temporary performance of its duties. In case of the
 7 absence or disability of either Warden, or of a vacancy in his
 8 office, the powers and duties of the Wardens shall devolve upon
 9 the remaining Warden.

VIII.

TREASURER.

1 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect all moneys due to
 2 the Parish, and to receive and receipt for all pecuniary gifts and
 3 legacies to the same. He shall keep a true record of his receipts
 4 and disbursements, and present a full statement thereof, and of
 5 the financial condition of the Parish, at each annual meeting.
 6 He shall pay no sum exceeding ten dollars without the approval
 7 of at least one Warden or two Vestrymen, or the standing order
 8 of the Parish or the Vestry. He shall give bonds, whenever
 9 required by the Vestry, for the faithful performance of his duties.

IX.

CLERK.

1 It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep the records of the
 2 Parish and of the Vestry, and also to keep a roll of the mem-
 3 bers of the Parish entitled to vote in its affairs.

X.

VESTRY.

Pub. Stats. 1 The Vestry shall constitute the Standing Committee of the Par-
 Chap. 38, 2 ish, and exercise all the powers thereof in accordance with the
 §§ 10, 43. 3 usage and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and in

4 compliance with the statutes of the Commonwealth. It shall be
 5 the duty of the Vestry to manage the prudential affairs, and to
 6 care for the property, of the Parish; to supervise and direct the
 7 officers, excepting the Rector, in the discharge of their duties,
 8 and to audit the accounts of the Treasurer. Their records shall
 9 be open to the examination of members of the Parish at its
 10 meetings. Meetings of the Vestry may be called by the Rector,
 11 either of the Wardens, or any three members of the Vestry; but
 12 the Vestry may appoint stated meetings and determine the man-
 13 ner of notifying their meetings. The Rector, when present, shall
 14 preside.

XI.

AMENDMENTS.

1 These By-Laws may be amended at any Parish meeting, by a
 2 two-thirds vote of those present, if notice has been given of the
 3 amendment proposed at a previous Parish meeting, and if the
 4 subject matter thereof is inserted in the warrant calling the meet-
 5 ing at which the amendment is to be adopted. *Provided always,*
 6 that no amendment shall ever be made which shall in any degree
 7 release the Parish from its allegiance to the authority of the Prot-
 8 estant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, or the
 9 Diocese within the limits of which the Parish may be; nor which
 10 shall deduct any thing from the qualifications required for eligi-
 11 bility to the office of Rector, or from the rights of the Rector
 12 previously defined in these By-Laws.

Pub. Stats.
 Chap. 38.
 § 12.

SECTIONS OF PUBLIC STATUTES RELATING TO RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

PUBLIC STATUTES. CHAPTER 38.

SECT. 4. Persons belonging to a religious society shall be held to be members thereof until they file with the clerk a written notice declaring the dissolution of their membership; but, after filing such notice, they shall not be liable for any grant or contract thereafter made or entered into by such society. No person shall be made a member of such society, without his consent in writing.

SECT. 5. A religious society may make by-laws not repugnant to the laws of the Commonwealth, and may in such by-laws prescribe the manner in which persons may become members.

SECT. 9. Moderators of meetings held for the choice of officers shall be elected by ballot. Clerks, assessors, treasurers, and collectors shall be elected by ballot, and shall be sworn. Other officers shall be elected in such manner as the society may determine.

SECT. 10. The prudential affairs of such societies shall be managed by their assessors, or by a standing committee specially appointed for that purpose; and the assessors or committees shall have like authority for calling meetings, as selectmen have for calling town-meetings.

SECT. 12. The assessors or committee shall insert in their warrant for

calling a meeting any matter, the insertion of which five or more qualified voters of the society may, in writing, request. Nothing acted upon at a meeting shall have any legal operation, unless the subject matter thereof was inserted in the warrant for such meeting.

SECT. 14. The clerk, or if there is no clerk, or if he is absent, one of the assessors, or of the standing committee, shall preside in the choice of a moderator, and a clerk may then be chosen, either *pro tempore* or to fill the vacancy, as the case may require. The moderator may administer the oath of office to the clerk, and the clerk to the assessors, treasurer, and collector, or said oaths may be administered by a justice of the peace, and such oaths shall be substantially the same as are required to be taken by the clerk, assessors, and collectors of towns.

SECT. 17. Vacancies in any of the annual offices, occurring after the annual meeting, may be filled at any other legal meeting.

ORGANIZATION OF RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES AS CORPORATIONS.

SECT. 24. A religious society that is not incorporated may, if it contains ten or more qualified voters, organize and become a corporation with the powers, privileges, duties, and liabilities of such societies, and may hold so much real and personal estate as may be necessary for the objects of such organization, and no more.

SECT. 25. Any justice of the peace may, upon application in writing by five or more of the qualified voters of such society, issue his warrant directed to some one of the applicants, stating the objects of the proposed meeting, and requiring him to warn the qualified voters of the society to meet at a time and place appointed by the warrant; and such warrant may be served by posting an attested copy thereof on the principal outer door of the meeting-house of such society, or by leaving such copy with, or at the last and usual places of abode of, the qualified voters of the society, seven days at least before such meeting; and upon due return thereof, the same or any other justice of the peace may preside at the meeting for the choice and qualification of a clerk, who shall enter at large upon the records of the society the proceedings had in the organization thereof; and the society may thereupon proceed to choose a moderator, and to do such other things as parishes are by law authorized to do at their annual meetings *provided* the subject matter thereof is inserted in the warrant.

SECT. 26. Any ten or more persons, male or female, who desire to form a religious society, may make for that purpose an application in writing to a justice of the peace; and such justice may thereupon issue his warrant directed to one of the applicants, stating the objects of the proposed society, and requiring him to warn said persons to meet at a time and place appointed in the warrant. The warrant shall be issued, served, and executed, and the meeting held, in the manner and for the purposes set forth in the preceding section, and such persons, upon complying with the provisions of said section, shall become a corporation under a name to be assumed at such meeting, and with all the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to all the duties, limitations, and restrictions, relating to religious societies.

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCHES.

SECT. 43. In religious societies belonging to the body of Christians known as the Protestant Episcopal Church, the rector or one of the wardens may, unless it is otherwise provided in some by-law, preside at their meetings with all the powers of a moderator; and the warden, or wardens and vestry, may exercise all the powers of a standing committee in accordance with the usages and discipline of said Church. Unless they assess or collect a tax on the polls, estates, or pews of the members thereof, such societies need not choose a collector or assessors; and they may in their by-laws provide that the duties of assessors shall be performed by the wardens. The officers upon whom the duties of standing committee or assessors may devolve shall in all cases be elected by ballot.

FORMS OF APPLICATIONS TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS SEEKING THE SACRED MINISTRY.

I. — CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

The Postulant for admission to Candidateship may at any time, after application to the Bishop duly made, apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a candidate. He should present an application in the following form: —

(1) The undersigned respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a Candidate, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If the Testimonials are signed by others than a Rector and Vestry, let him here state the reasons.

(2) TESTIMONIALS.

We whose names are hereunder written testify, from our personal knowledge and belief, that A B is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is a Communicant of the said Church in good standing; and do furthermore declare, that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry.

Here follow the signatures of the Rector, and a majority of the Vestry of the Parish or Congregation to which the Postulant belongs.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonials were signed by the Rector and a majority of the Vestry of.....Church in....., said Vestry being duly convened, on the.....day of.....188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But these Testimonials may be signed, in circumstances justifying such alternative, by at least one Presbyter and four respectable Laymen, Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The Standing Committee shall be sole judge of the propriety of receiving Testimonials signed by others than a Rector and Vestry.

If a person not having had Episcopal ordination, but acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate in any other denomination of Christians, desires to become a candidate, he first applies to the Bishop, as directed in Canon 2, § vii. of Title I. of the Digest; and, when the Bishop authorizes further procedure, he should present to the Standing Committee the *Application* and *Testimonials* above given, and with them the two following certificates: —

(1) A Testimonial from at least twelve members of the denomination from which he comes, or twelve members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or twelve persons, — in part of the denomination from which he comes, and in part of this Church, — satisfactory to the Committee, certifying that the Postulant has, for three years last past, lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and

(2) A Testimonial from at least two Presbyters of this Church, certifying that they believe the Postulant to be pious, sober, and honest, and sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church; and that, in their opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for usefulness in this Church.

II. — FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

(1) The undersigned, a Candidate for Holy Orders, respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission to the Sacred Order of Deacons, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If the Testimonials are signed by others than the Minister and Vestry of the Parish of which he is a member, let him here state the reasons.

(2) We whose names are hereunder written do testify, from evidence satisfactory to us, that A B, for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord....

Here follow the signatures of the Minister and Vestry of the Parish or Congregation of which the Candidate is a member, or of the Vestry alone if the Parish be vacant.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed by the Minister and Vestry of.....Church, in....., at a meeting duly convened and held on the.....day of.....188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But if there be no organized Parish or Congregation where the Candidate has resided, or if, from some peculiar circumstances not affecting his pious or moral character, he shall be unable to procure Testimonials from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, the Standing Committee may accept Testimonials of the purport above stated from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and in that case it is recommended that the residences of the signers should be given, and that, unless they are personally known to the Standing Committee, their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a Testimonial, signed by at least one respectable Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following words. —

(3) I [or we] do certify that A B, for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I [or we] know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and moreover I [or we] think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons. This Testimonial is founded on my [or our] personal knowledge of the said A B for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me [or us]. In witness whereof, I [or we] have hereunto set my [or our] hand [or hands], this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

In the case of a Candidate who has been acknowledged as an ordained Minister or Licentiate by some other denomination of Christians, the Testimonials are required to cover only the time since his admission to Candidacy.

A Candidate for the Office and Ministration of a Deacon only shall not be ordained within one year from his admission, unless the Bishop, *with the consent of the Standing Committee*, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, in no case to be less than six months.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be ordained to the Diaconate within three years from his admission, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, *with the consent of three-fourths of the Standing Committee*, shall admit him to the Diaconate while yet prosecuting his course of theological studies; in which case he may be ordained at any time after the expiration of one year from his admission.

III.—FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

(1) The undersigned respectfully applies to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Massachusetts for recommendation to the Bishop for admission to Priest's Orders, and presents the accompanying Testimonials.

If signed by others than the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, let him here state the reasons.

(2) We whose names are hereunder written do testify that A B, for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Here follow the signatures of the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where the applicant resides.

I hereby certify that the above Testimonial was signed by the Minister and Vestry of.....Church, in....., said Vestry being duly convened, on the.....day of.....188..

(Signed)

Clerk of the Vestry.

But if the Parish be vacant, or if the applicant be the Minister of the Parish, the above Testimonial is to be signed by the Vestry alone.

And in case peculiar circumstances not affecting his moral character, or the want of a Vestry where he is residing or ministering, should hinder the procurement of Testimonials as above, the Standing Committee may accept Testimonials, of the same tenor, from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church. It is best that, in this case also, their Rectors should certify to the fact of their being Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Candidate shall also lay before the Standing Committee a Testimonial, signed by at least one Presbyterian of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, in the following form: —

(S) I do certify that A B, for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly, and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. This Testimonial is founded on my personal knowledge of the said A B for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this.....day of....., in the year of our Lord.....

Candidates for the Priesthood, ordained Deacons under Sect. v. or Sect. vi. of Canon 6, shall not be required to have Testimonials covering more time than has elapsed since their admission to Candidateship.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders ordained Deacon within three years preceding the time of his application for recommendation for ordination to the Priesthood shall only be required to have Testimonials extending back to the time of his ordination, *provided* nothing shall have in the mean while occurred that tends to invalidate the force of the evidence on which the Candidate was ordained a Deacon.

A Candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been a Candidate for the Ministry of any other denomination of Christians, may be allowed, as part of the duration of his Candidateship, by the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, the period during which he may have been a Student of Theology or Candidate in such other denomination; *provided* that the time so allowed shall not exceed two years.

A Candidate for Priesthood shall not be ordained within three years from his admission, nor, in any case, within one year from his reception of Deacon's Orders, except by the *advice and consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese at a meeting duly convened.*

NOTICE. — The Standing Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month except August.

Candidates desiring to be recommended to the Bishop for Orders, and persons seeking to be admitted Candidates, will please send their papers to the Rev. George S. Converse, 98 Cedar Street, Boston Highlands.

All applications lie over one month, and are published in one of the Church papers.

Those who expect to be ordained should prepare their papers two months before the time for their ordination.

APPENDIX D.

I.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN

IN THE

DIocese OF MASSACHUSETTS,

MAY 13, A.D. 1884.

- THE RT. REV. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D.D., Bishop, Boston.
- The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, Rector of St. James's, North Cambridge, and in charge of St. James's Mission, West Somerville.
- The Rev. CHARLES MORRIS ADDISON, Rector of St. John's, Arlington, and Missionary at Winchester.
- The Rev. ALEXANDER VIETS GRIEWOLD ALLEN, D.D., Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
- The Rev. FREDERICK BAYLIER ALLEN, Assistant at Trinity, Boston.
- The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston.
- The Rev. AUGUSTINE HERARD AMORY, Rector of Grace, Lawrence, and in charge of St. Paul's, North Andover.
- The Rev. CHARLES AREY, D.D., Rector of St. Peter's, Salem.
- The Rev. JULIUS WALTER ATWOOD, Rector of Ascension Memorial, Ipswich.
- The Rev. WILLIAM ROBINSON BABCOCK, D.D., Narragansett Pier, R.I.
- The Rev. ARTHUR MANN BACKUS, Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham.
- The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, Rector of St. Mark's, Boston, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. CHARLES DOUGLAS BARBOUR, Missionary at Christ Church, Plymouth.
- The Rev. ARTHUR HENRY BARRINGTON, Malden.
- The Rev. JOHN S. BEERS, General Missionary of the Diocese, Natick.
- The Rev. EDWARD BENEDICT, Assistant at Church of the Advent, Boston.
- The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, Rector of All Saints', Dorchester, Boston.
- The Rev. JOHN ALMA BEVINGTON, Assistant at St. Paul's, Boston.
- The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, Rector of Emmanuel, Somerville.
- The Rev. HARRY INNES BODLEY, Rector of St. John's, North Adams.
- The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.
- The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D., Rector of Trinity, Boston.
- The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, S.T.D., officiating at St. Andrew's, Haverover.
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- The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector of St. James's, Roxbury, Boston.
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- The Rev. WALDO BURNETT, officiating at St. Mark's, Southborough.

- The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL, Chelsea.
 The Rev. HENRY BURROUGHS, D.D.,¹ Examining Chaplain, Boston.
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 The Rev. HIRAM CABLETON, D.D., East Sandwich.
 The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, in charge of St. John's, East Boston.
 The Rev. ALBERT ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D., Rector-elect of St. Anne's, Lowell.
 The Rev. ARTHUR WELLESLEY CHAPMAN, California.
 The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.
 The Rev. JONAS B. CLARKE, Chaplain City Institutions, South Boston.
 The Rev. JOSEPH HART CLINCH, S.T.D.,² Secretary of the Convention, South Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, Rector of St. John's, Roxbury, Boston.
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 The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D., Rector of St. Paul's, Boston.
 The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESSEY, Rector of The House of Prayer, Lowell, and in charge of Emmanuel Church, Chelmsford.
 The Rev. LOUIS DE CORMIS, Rector of St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn.
 The Rev. EDWARD SILVAIN CROSS, in charge of St. John's Mission, Worcester.
 The Rev. HERBERT NOEL CUNNINGHAM, Rector of the Church of the Atone-ment, Westfield.
 The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Andover.
 The Rev. JAMES BUCHANAN DRYSDALE (Deacon), Assistant at St. Paul's, Boston.
 The Rev. CHARLES W. DUFFIELD, Missionary at Shelburne Falls, and in charge of St. John's, Ashfield.
 The Rev. GEORGE WELLS DURELL, Rector of St. Thomas's, East Somerville.
 The Rev. SAMUEL EDWARDS, officiating at Trinity, Milford, and Christ Church, Medway.
 The Rev. THOMAS FREDERICK FALES, Rector at Christ Church, Waltham, and Examining Chaplain.
 The Rev. H. WARREN FAY, Rector of St. Paul's, Nantucket.
 The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, Rector of Trinity, Lenox.
 The Rev. PETER VOORHEES FINCH, Rector of St. James's, Greenfield.
 The Rev. WILLIAM J. W. FINLAY, in charge of St. Peter's, Beverly.
 The Rev. HENRY LEWIS FOOTE, Rector of St. Paul's, Holyoke.
 The Rev. FRANCIS AUGUSTUS FOXCROFT, Cambridge.
 The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, Rector of Grace, Salem.
 The Rev. ALBERT EUGENE GEORGE, Rector of St. James's, South Groveland.
 The Rev. BENJAMIN ROWLEY GIFFORD, Woods Holl.
 The Rev. EDWIN WALTER GOULD, in Europe.
 The Rev. CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Boston.
 The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, Rector of St. Luke's, Chelsea.
 The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D.D., Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
 The Rev. LEWIS GREEN, Greenfield.
 The Rev. JOHN GREGSON, Rector of St. John's, Wilkinsonville, and Missionary at Millbury.
 The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, Rector of St. Peter's, Cambridge.
 The Rev. HENRY HAGUE, Rector of St. Matthew's, Worcester, and Missionary at Cherry Valley.
 The Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, in charge of the Mission of St. John the Evangelist, Boston.
 The Rev. ETIENNE THEODORE HAMEL, in England.
 The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, Rector of St. Paul's, Natick, and of St. John's, Framingham.
 The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HARRIS, Rector of St. Michael's, Marblehead.
 The Rev. DAVID GREENE HASKINS, S.T.D., Cambridge.
 The Rev. CHARLES A. HAYDEN, Rector of St. John's, Gloucester.
 The Rev. JESSE E. HEALD, Rector of St. John's, Millville.
 The Rev. OSGOOD EATON HERRICK, Chaplain U.S. Army, Fortress Monroe, Va.

¹ Died June 8, 1884.² Died July 5, 1884.

- The Rev. JOHN C. HEWLETT, Long Island, New York.
 The Rev. SAMUEL HAVEN HILLIARD, Rector of St. George's, Lee, and in charge of St. Paul's, Otis, and of the Mission, South Lee.
 The Rev. JAMES MENDE HILLYAR, Boston.
 The Rev. SAMUEL HODOKISS, Missionary at St. Paul's, Brockton.
 The Rev. NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D.D., Cambridge.
 The Rev. REGINALD HERBER HOWE, Rector of the Church of our Saviour, Longwood.
 The Rev. HENRY NORMAN HUDSON, LL.D., Ph.D., Professor in Boston University.
 The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, Rector of St. Paul's, Malden, and Examining Chaplain.
 The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, Rector of Grace, Melford.
 The Rev. JOSEPH JENKS, North Middleborough.
 The Rev. JOHN ADAMS JEROME, in charge of Grace, Vineyard Haven.
 The Rev. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON, officiating at Salmon Falls, N.H., and Examining Chaplain.
 The Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, Assistant at Trinity, Boston, and in charge of the Chapel of the Evangelists, Boston.
 The Rev. THOMAS RICKER LAMBERT, D.D., Boston.
 The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, Rector of St. Paul's, Stockbridge.
 The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
 The Rev. CHARLES HENRY LEAROLD, Rector of St. Thomas's, Taunton, and Treasurer of the Convention.
 The Rev. WILLIAM F. LLOYD, Oxford.
 The Rev. JOSEPH E. LINDHOLM, Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington.
 The Rev. JOHN T. MACRATH, Rector of Christ Church, Hyde Park.
 The Rev. LEANDER CORNELIUS MANCHESTER, Rector of St. John's, Lowell.
 The Rev. FRANCIS MANSFIELD, Rector of St. John's, Taunton.
 The Rev. ERNEST HOMER MARSHALL (Deacon), in charge of St. James's Mission and St. Mark's Mission, Fall River.
 The Rev. WILLIAM McGLATHERY, Norristown, Penn.
 The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, West Newton and Auburndale.
 The Rev. NATHAN WATSON MUNROE, Greenfield.
 The Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE, Rector of Christ Church, Boston.
 The Rev. HENRY SYLVESTER NASH, Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, and in charge of the Ascension, Waltham.
 The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, Rector of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.
 The Rev. CHARLES MULVAINE NICHOLSON, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Woods Holl.
 The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, Rector of Christ Church, Rochdale, and Missionary at Grace, Oxford.
 The Rev. EDWARD WILLIAM OSBORNE, Assistant at the Mission of St. John the Evangelist, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE ENDICOTT OSGOOD, Rector of Grace, North Attleborough.
 The Rev. GEORGE STURGIS PAINE, Worcester.
 The Rev. CHARLES JAMES PALMER, Rector of St. Luke's, Lanesborough.
 The Rev. EDMUND BARNABAS PALMER, Boston.
 The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, Rector of Emmanuel, Boston.
 The Rev. J. STURGIS PEARCE, Rector of St. John's, Northampton.
 The Rev. JOHN MILTON PECK, Rector of Trinity, Bridgewater.
 The Rev. JOSHUA RINDOE PEIRCE, in charge of St. Anne's Chapel, Dorchester, Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE WASHINGTON PORTER, D.D., Wrentham.
 The Rev. DANIEL S. C. M. POTTER (Deacon), Louisville, Ky.
 The Rev. GEORGE JARVIS PRESCOTT, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, and Chaplain of the Insane Asylum, Somerville.
 The Rev. AUGUSTUS PRINX, Rector of St. Margaret's, Brighton, Boston.
 The Rev. CHARLES HAYDEN PROCTOR, Rector of St. James's, New Bedford.
 The Rev. ARTHUR H. PROFFITT (Deacon), Rector of Christ Church, Sheffield, and of Trinity, Van Deusenville.
 The Rev. EDWARD AUGUSTUS RAND, in charge of the Mission at Concord.
 The Rev. JOHN BOURS RICHMOND, Assistant at Grace, Medford.
 The Rev. LINDALL WINTHROP SALTONSTALL, Rector of St. Mary's, Dorchester, Boston.

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BENJ. H. PADDOCK,
Bishop of Massachusetts.

II.

List of Parishes.

I.

IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

May, A.D. 1884.

Adams, St. Mark's.	Lenox, Trinity.
Amesbury, St. James's.	Lincoln, St. Anne's
Amherst, Grace.	Longwood, Our Saviour
Andover, Christ	Lowell, The House of Prayer.
Arlington, St. John's.	" St. Anne's.
Ashfield, St. John's.	" St. John's.
Beverly, St. Peter's.	Lynn, St. Stephen's Memorial.
Boston, Advent.	Malden, St. Paul's.
" (Dorchester), All Saints'.	Marblehead, St. Michael's.
" Christ.	Medford, Grace.
" Emmanuel.	Melrose, Trinity.
" Good Shepherd.	Millford, Trinity.
" Messiah.	Millville, St. John's.
" (Highlands), St. James's.	Nantucket, St. Paul's.
" (Charlestown), St. John's.	Natick, St. Paul's.
" (East), St. John's.	New Bedford, Grace.
" (Highlands), St. John's.	Newburyport, St. Paul's.
" (Jamaica Plain), St. John's.	Newton, Grace.
" (Brighton), St. Margaret's.	" (West and Auburnside),
" St. Mark's.	Messiah.
" (Dorchester), St. Mary's.	" (Lower Falls), St. Mary's.
" St. Mary's for Sailors.	North Adams, St. John's.
" (South), St. Matthew's.	Northampton, St. John's.
" St. Paul's.	North Attleborough, Grace.
" Trinity.	Oxford, Grace.
Bridgewater, Trinity.	Pittsfield, St. Stephen's.
Brookline, St. Paul's.	Plymouth, Christ
Cambridge, Christ.	Quincy, Christ.
" St. James's.	Rochdale, Christ.
" St. Peter's.	Salem, Grace
Chelsea, St. Luke's.	" St. Peter's.
Clinton, Good Shepherd.	Sheffield, Christ.
Danvers, Calvary.	Somerville, Emmanuel.
Dedham, (Oakdale), Good Shepherd.	" (East), St. Thomas's
" St. Paul's	South Groveland, St. James's.
Easthampton, St. Philip's.	Southborough, St. Mark's.
Fall River, Ascension.	Springfield, Christ.
Fiskdale, Grace.	Stockbridge, St. Paul's.
Fitchburg, Christ.	Swansea, Christ.
Framingham, St. John's.	Taunton, St. John's.
Gloucester, St. John's.	" St. Thomas's.
Great Barrington, St. James's.	Van Deusenville, Trinity.
Greenfield, St. James's.	Wakefield, Emmanuel.
Hanover, St. Andrew's.	Waltham, Christ.
Haverhill, Trinity.	Webster, Reconciliation.
Holyoke, St. Paul's.	Westfield, Atonement.
Hopkinton, St. Paul's.	Weymouth, Trinity.
Hyde Park, Christ.	Wilkinsonville, St. John's.
Ipswich, Ascension.	Woburn, Trinity.
Lanesborough, St. Luke's.	Woods Holl, Messiah.
Lawrence, Grace.	Worcester, All Saints'.
" St. John's.	" St. Matthew's.
Lee, St. George's.	Wrentham, Trinity.

[Form of Certificate of Lay Delegates to the Diocesan Convention.]

Diocese of Massachusetts.

A.D. 188 . . .

To be mailed to the Secretary of the Convention immediately after the close
of Delegates.

**CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES TO THE DIOCESAN
CONVENTION.**

, A.D. 188

This is to Certify, That, at a regular meeting of the Vestry
Church, convened according to the laws of
the Parish, [or at a meeting of the Parish of
Church, duly convened,] held on the day of
A.D. 188 , the following persons, viz.:—

Messrs.

were duly appointed Lay Delegates to represent this parish in the
Annual meeting of the Convention of the Protes-
tant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, to be held
in , in the
of , on the day
of , A.D. 188 ; that this appointment
was made in pursuance of the requirements of Title L, Canon 2, Section 1,
of the Canons of the Diocese; and that they are stated worshippers in this
Parish.

, Warden,

, Warden, or,²

. Parish Clerk.

¹ The names should be written *very legibly*. The baptismal name should be given in full,
not initials merely.

² "Substitute" delegates cannot be received.

³ Should be signed by both Wardens or Parish Clerk.

[FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORT.]

EXTRACT FROM THE CANONS OF THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

TITLE IV., CANON 2, SECTION V.

Every Clergyman of this Church, regularly settled in any Parish, shall present or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Session of the Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese (or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention,) a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his Parish; also the state and condition of the Sunday School, and any other schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the Communion Alms, the contributions for Missions (Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign,) for Parochial Schools, for Church purposes generally; also whether there is a Church or Chapel, with the number of sittings therein, and whether there is a parsonage; also the total valuation of the property belonging to the Parish, taken, if possible, from the tax-lists of the town or city; and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same, according to the form of Parochial Report transmitted by the Secretary of Convention, in accordance with Title I., Canon 2, Section vi. If a Parish is vacant, the Wardens shall present, or cause to be delivered, the foregoing statement. Every Clergyman not regularly settled in any Parish or Church shall also report occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be entered on the Journals of the Convention.

At the Convention of 1871, this form was adopted by the Diocese, and recommended for use by the Clergy of the same.

Diocese of Massachusetts.

PAROCHIAL REPORT FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR
188.....-8.....

OF THE RIGHT REV. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D.D., BISHOP
OF THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

..... Church,
The Reverend, Rector,¹
Minister, Missionary, Officiating Clergyman, or Lay Reader,
The Reverend, Assistant,
and, Church-Wardens.

Baptisms: Infants, ; adults, ; total, . Confirmed [including all belonging to the parish, whether confirmed therein or otherwise, and none others], . Communicants: Admitted, ; received, ; total added, ;
lied, ; removed, ; total lost, ; present number, . Marriages, .
Funerals, . Sunday school: Officers and teachers, ; scholars, .
Parochial school: Teachers, ; scholars, . Church: Value, \$; sittings, .
Chapel: Value, \$; sittings, . School building: Value, \$.
Parsonage: Value, \$. Total valuation of the property belonging to the

¹ The baptismal name should be given in *full*, not initials merely.

parish, \$. [To be taken, if possible, from the tax-lists of the town or city.]

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Derived from offerings at the offertory, \$; collections in church, \$; pew rents, \$; subscriptions, \$; donations, \$; investments, \$; other sources, \$; total, \$. Sunday school, \$. Parish library, \$. Parochial missions, \$. Parochial school, \$. Increase and improvement of church property, \$. Other parochial objects, viz.: , \$. Total for objects within the parish, \$.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$. Convention Fund, \$. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the diocese), \$. Margaret Coffin Prayer-book Society, \$. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$. Christian or Theological Education, \$. Erection of Churches and Chapels, \$. For other objects without the parish, viz.: , \$. Total for objects without the parish, \$.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the Diocese: Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$; for other diocesan missionary objects, viz.: , \$; total, \$. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$; for other domestic missionary objects, viz.: , \$; total, \$. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$; for other foreign missionary objects, viz.: , \$; total, \$. Total for missionary contributions, \$.

Total for objects without the parish, and for missions, \$.

Total of all contributions, \$.

REMARKS.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR 1883-84.

Clergy (Bishop, 1; Priests, 154; Deacons, 7)	162
Clergy deceased	5
Clergy received	15
Clergy transferred	21
Ordinations (Deacons, 5; Priests, 4)	9
Candidates for Holy Orders (Order of Deacon, 1; Order of Priest, 30) .	31
Lay Readers	46
Churches consecrated	5
Churches or Chapels opened without Consecration	3
Churches or Chapels in building	5
Parishes in Union with the Convention	105
Organized Parishes not in Union with the Convention	6
Chapels and Missions	44
Baptisms (infants, 2,160; adults, 402; not specified, 25)	2,587
Confirmations	1,253
Communicants (added, 1,647; died or removed, 880), present number, 19,941	
Marriages	867
Funerals	1,465
Sunday-School Officers and Scholars	17,259
Contributions for Religious Purposes (within the Parish, \$563,049.67; without the Parish, \$81,423.83)	\$644,473.50

APPENDIX E.

Diocese of Massachusetts.

MAY, A.D. 1894.

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Officers of the Diocese.

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.

THE RT. REV. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D.D.,
Residence, 26 Chestnut Street, Boston.

Secretary of the Convention.

THE REV. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, S.T.D., Residence, Hanover.

Assistant Secretary.

THE REV. LEANDER CORNELIUS MANCHESTER, Residence, Lowell.

Treasurer of the Convention.

THE REV. CHARLES HENRY LEABOYD, Residence, Taunton.

Registrar of the Diocese.

THE REV. EDMUND FARWELL SLAPTER, Residence, 91 Boylston Street

NOTE. — All packages of books and pamphlets for the Registrar, sent to
should be directed to No. 18 Somerset Street, Boston.

Preacher before the next Meeting of the Convention.

THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE, the Rt. Rev. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK

Substitute.

THE REV. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, D.D., Rector of St. Anne's Church

Standing Committee.

• Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D., Pres.	Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
• GEORGE S. CONVERSE, Secretary.	• EDWARD L. DAVIS.
• PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	• WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
• FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D.	• EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.

NOTE.—*The Standing Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month, except August. All applications lie over one month, and are advertised in "The Churchman." Address of the Secretary, 98 Cedar Street, Boston Highlands.*

Examining Chaplains appointed by the Bishop.

• Rev. GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON.	The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.
• LEONIDAS B. BALDWIN.	• ALFRED E. JOHNSON.

Deputies to the General Convention.**Provisional.**

• Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.
• THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	• HENRY F. ALLEN.
• FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D.	• GEO. ZARRINKIN GRAY, D.D.
• PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.	• CHARLES AREY, D.D.
• GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.	Mr. FRANCIS J. PARKER.
• ROBERT C. WINTHROP.	• ALEXANDER H. RICE.
• EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.	• JOHN B. STERBINS.
• EDWARD L. DAVIS	• JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, to serve until October, A.D. 1884.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS.
• NICHOLAS HOPPIN, D.D.	• MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
• THOMAS F. FALES.	• JOHN MILTON PECK.
• CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.	• EMELIUS W. SMITH.
• LEANDER C. MANCHESTER.	Mr. ROBERT C. WINTHROP.
• THOMAS R. LAMBERT, D.D.	• GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.
• ALFRED E. JOHNSON.	• JOHN BLISS STEBBINS.
• HENRY F. ALLEN.	• WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
• CHARLES AREY, D.D.	• JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.
• LEONARD K. STORRS.	• DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, their term of office to begin Oct. 1, A.D. 1884.**Appointed by the Diocese.**

The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS.

Elected by the House of Deputies.

Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

II.**Missions.****Diocesan Board of Missions.****President.**

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE, ex-officio.

Secretary.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, Taunton.

Treasurer.

Mr. JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, 13 Exchange Street, Boston.

Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions for the year 1884-85.*Elected by the Convention.**To serve one year.**Clerical.**Lay.*The Rev. MALCOLM DOUGLASS, D.D.
" CHARLES H. LEAROLD.Mr. EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL.D.*To serve two years.*The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.
" HENRY F. ALLEN.Mr. DANIEL P. CROCKER.
" WILLIAM C. LOVERING.*To serve three years.*The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.
" A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D.D.Mr. ROBERT TRENT PAINE, JR.
" GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.*To serve four years.*The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.
" EDWARD M. GUSHER.Mr. JOHN S. BLATCFORD.
" DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D.*Elected by the Convocations.**The Eastern Convocation.*

The Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D. Mr. CHARLES G. SAUNDERS

The Southern Convocation.

The Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE. Mr. HENRY S. CHASE.

The Central Convocation.

The Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON. Mr. MATTHEW J. WHITTAL.

The Western Convocation.

The Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS. Mr. CHESTER C. CONANT.

The Eastern Convocation.*President ex-officio.***THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.***Dean.*

The Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D.

Vice-Dean.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D.D.

Secretary.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS.

Treasurer.

The Rev. HENRY A. METCALF.

Members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation.

The Rev. GEORGE Z. GRAY, D.D. Mr. CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

The Southern Convocation.*President ex-officio.***THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.**

*Dean.***The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD.***Secretary and Treasurer.***The Rev. ARTHUR M. BACKUS.***† Members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation.***The Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE.****Mr. HENRY S CHASE.****The Central Convocation.***President ex-officio.***The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.***Dean.***The Rev. EMELIUS W. SMITH.***Secretary and Treasurer.***The Rev. GEORGE S. PAINE.***Members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation.***The Rev. THOMAS W. NICKERSON.****Mr. MATTHEW J. WHITTAL.****The Western Convocation.***President ex-officio.***The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.***Dean.***The Rev. P. VOORHIES FINCH.***Secretary.***The Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS.***Treasurer.***The Rev. CHARLES J. PALMER.***Members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation.***The Rev. J. COTTON BROOKS.****Mr. CHESTER C. CONANT.****Massachusetts Church Missionary Society.¹***President.***Mr. JAMES S. AMOBY.²***Vice-President.***Mr. MARTIN L. BRADFORD.***Secretary.***The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES.***Treasurer.***Mr. STEPHEN G. DEBLOIS.***Executive Committee.***The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.****Mr. RUSSELL STURGIS, JUN.****" GEORGE W. DURELL.****" CHARLES W. DEXTER.****" WILLIAM LAWRENCE.**

¹ This Society unites with the Diocesan Board of Missions in the prosecution of missionary work, only retaining its corporate existence for the due administration of trusts committed to it.

² Died June 8, 1884.

The Episcopal City Mission.

The BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE, *President*,
 The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D.D.

" GEORGE J. PRESCOTT.

" FREDERICK COURTNEY, S.T.D.

" JOHN WRIGHT.

Mr. JOHN S. BLATCHFORD.

" J. D. W. FRENCH.

" ROBERT TREAT PAINE, JUN.

" GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M.D.

" HENRY W. NELSON.

" HENRY W. NELSON, *Secretary*.

" JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, *Treasurer*.

The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

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The BISHOP called the Convention to order, and offered the Lord's Prayer and the "Prayer to be used at the Meetings of Convention."

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" Waldo Burnett.
" *John T. Burrill.*
" *Eli H. Canfield, D. D.*
" *Hiram Carleton, D. D.*
" Nathan H. Chamberlain.
" A. St. John Chambré, D. D.
" William F. Cheney.
" Jonas B. Clarke.
" George S. Converse.
" Henry E. Cotton.
" Frederick Courtney, S. T. D.
" Jeremiah J. Cressey.
" *Edward S. Cross.*
" *Herbert M. Cunningham.*
" Louis De Cormis.

The Rev. Charles W. Dugfield.
 " George W. Durrell.
 " James S. Ellis.
 " Thomas F. Fales.
 " H. Warren Fay.
 " Justin Field.
 " P. J. Forbess Finch.
 " William J. W. Finlay.
 " Thomas L. Fisher.
 " Henry L. Foote.
 " Francis A. Foxcroft.
 " James P. Franks.
 " Albert E. George.
 " Benjamin R. Gifford.
 " Edwin W. Gould.
 " Charles C. Grafton.
 " Andrew Gray.
 " George Z. Gray, D. D.
 " Lewis Green.
 " John Gregson.
 " Edward M. Gushee.
 " Henry Hague.
 " Arthur C. A. Hall.
 " Frank S. Harraden.
 " William R. Harris.
 " Charles A. Hayden.
 " Henry H. Haynes.
 " John C. Hewlett.
 " Samuel H. Hilliard.
 " Samuel Hodgkiss.
 " Nicholas Hopkin, D. D.
 " Reginald H. Howe.
 " Henry N. Hudson, LL. D.
 " George P. Huntington.
 " Charles L. Hutchins.
 " Thomas A. Hyde.
 " Joseph Jenks.
 " John A. Jerome.
 " James S. Kent.
 " Reuben Kidner.
 " Thomas K. Lambert, S. T. D.
 " Arthur Lawrence.
 " William Lawrence.
 " Chas. H. Learoyd.
 " James O. Lincoln.
 " Joseph E. Lindholm.
 " John T. Magrath.
 " Leander C. Manchester.
 " Francis Mansfield.
 " Ernest H. Mariett.
 " Henry A. Metcalf.
 " Nathan W. Munroe.
 " William H. Munroe.

The Rev Henry S. Nash.
 " William W. Newton.
 " Charles Mel. Nicholson.
 " Thomas W. Nickerson.
 " Edward W. Osborns.
 " George E. Osgood.
 " Charles J. Palmer.
 " Robert B. Parker.
 " Leighton Parks.
 " Endicott Peabody.
 " J. Milton Peck.
 " Joshua R. Pelrice.
 " George W. Porter, D. D.
 " George F. Pratt.
 " George J. Prescott.
 " Augustus Prime.
 " Charles H. Proctor.
 " Arthur H. Proffitt.
 " Edward A. Rand.
 " John B. Richmond.
 " Wilford L. Robbins.
 " Lindall W. Saltonstall.
 " Benjamin S. Sanderson.
 " Sumner V. Shearman.
 " George W. Shinn, D. D.
 " Charles L. Short.
 " Samuel R. Slack.
 " Edmund F. Slater.
 " Emelius W. Smith.
 " Henry H. Smythe.
 " Samuel Snelling.
 " James F. Spalding.
 " Samuel S. Spear.
 " Philo W. Sprague.
 " Peter H. Steenstra, D. D.
 " Leonard K. Storrs.
 " George A. Strong.
 " Charles F. Sweet.
 " Joseph M. Turner.
 " James H. Van Buren.
 " Alexander H. Vinton.
 " George Walker.
 " Julius H. Ward.
 " Langdon L. Ward.
 " Alfred F. Washburn.
 " William G. Wells.
 " John B. Wicks.
 " Charles Winkley.
 " Henry W. Winkley.
 " J. Frank Winkley.
 " William C. Winslow.
 " John Wright.
 " Otis O. Wright.

Total number of Clergymen entitled to seats and votes, 151.
 Present, 117. Not present, 34.

BOSTON (ROXBURY), ST. JAMES'S.

*William Raymond Lee,
Atherton Thayer Brown,
Danforth Comstock Hodges.*

BOSTON CHARLESTOWN, ST. JOHN'S.

*George N. Fisher,
Benjamin F. Stacey,
John G. Dearborn.*

BOSTON EAST, ST. JOHN'S.

*George H. Plummer,
William Whitton Dwyer,
George L. Thorndike.*

BOSTON (HIGHLANDS), ST. JOHN'S.

*John MacConnell, M. D.
Henry B. Mackintosh,
C. Victor Twiss.*

BOSTON (JAMAICA PL.), ST. JOHN'S.

*Thomas P. Proctor,
George O. Currier,
Charles T. Lee.*

BOSTON (BR'N), ST. MARGARET'S.

*Edward N. Perkins,
Charles P. Gardiner,
Donald Black.*

BOSTON, ST. MARK'S.

*Joshua Littlefield,
Rufus H. Frost,
Albert K. Brown.*

BOSTON (DOR.), ST. MARY'S

*Daniel B. Stedman, Jun.,
Marlin L. Bradford,
Charles Emery.*

BOSTON, ST. MARY'S, FOR SAILORS.

Not represented.

BOSTON (SOUTH), ST. MATTHEW'S

*Henry W. Nelson,
Ira W. Hill,
John M. Clinch.*

BOSTON ST. PAUL'S.

*Edmund Hatch Bennett,
John S. Blatchford,
Henry A. Turner.*

BOSTON, TRINITY.

*Robert Treat Paine, Jun.,
John Codman Ropes,
Benjamin Franklin Nurse.*

BRIDGEWATER, TRINITY.

*Joseph B. Foles,
John W. Burt,
Franklin Leach.*

BROOKLINE, ST. PAUL'S.

*Thomas Parsons,
Mortimer C. Ferris,
William L. Chase.*

CAMBRIDGE, CHRIST.

*Samuel Batchelder,
Francis C. Foster,
George L. Foulse.*

CAMBRIDGE, ST. JAMES'S.

*Charles Francis Conant,
John Albert Dodge,
Albert S. Pillsbury.*

CAMBRIDGE, ST. PETER'S

*Edward R. Cogswell,
William W. Dallinger,
William A. Armstrong.*

CHELSEA, ST. LUKE'S.

*Gilbert M. Golding,
Thomas J. Morrison,
William R. Chapman, M. D.*

CLINTON, (CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD)

*Charles Godfrey Stevens,
Samuel Arthur Bent,
Chauncey Lee Sheldon Hammond.*

DANVERS, CALVARY.

*Wm. Fowle,
John R. Fuller,
Alvin P. Knapp.*

DEDHAM (OAKDALE), CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

*E. L. Frothingham,
William B. Welch,
Thomas Newsome.*

DEDHAM, ST. PAUL'S.

*Ira Cleveland,
Thos. L. Wakefield,
Erastus Worthington.*

EASTHAMPTON, ST. PHILIP'S.

Not represented.

FALL RIVER, CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION.

*Walter C. Durfee,
Borden Chase,
John J. Highland.*

FISKDALE, GRACE.

Not represented.

FITCHBURG, CHRIST.

*Dennis Fay,
Frederick A. Currier,
William T. Crocker.*

BIRMINGHAM, ST. JOHN'S.

William Edgar.
William B. Hurd.
W. Frank Hurd.

LOUCESTER, ST. JOHN'S.

John Hancock Stacy.
John Somes Webber.
John F. Cadwallader.

REAT BARRINGTON, ST. JAMES'S.

Justin Dewey.
Francis P. Whittlesey, M. D.
Merritt I. Wheeler.

REENFIELD, ST. JAMES'S.

Chester C. Conant.
James S. Grinnell.
Frederick L. Greene.

LANOVER, ST. ANDREW'S.

Lemuel Cushing Waterman.
Horatio Bigelow.
Benjamin Barstow Torrey.

HAVERHILL, TRINITY.

Edward F. Adams.
Charles T. Chase.
William B. Kimball.

HOLYOKE, ST. PAUL'S.

E. P. Ford.
William Grover.
A. Higginbottom.

HOPKINTON, ST. PAUL'S.

William Kennedy.
James Firth Braithwaite.

HYDE PARK, CHRIST.

Henry Hyde Smith.
Charles C. Hayes, M. D.
Edward M. Whittemore.

IPSWICH, CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION.

George L. Tilton.
Joseph W. Woods.
Everard H. Martin.

LANESBOROUGH, ST. LUKE'S.

Not represented.

LAWRENCE, GRACE.

Charles Gurley Saunders.
Henry Martyn Whitney.
Warren Durant.

LAWRENCE, ST. JOHN'S.

Samuel Barlow.
John W. Barlow.
Richard Preston.

LEE, ST. GEORGE'S.

Daniel R. Hull.
George W. Cheney.

LENOX, TRINITY.

Richard Goodman.
Edward McDonald.

LINCOLN, ST. ANNE'S.

Frank W. Bigelow.
Arthur Johnson.
John Tasker.

LONGWOOD, CH. OF OUR SAVIOUR.

F. W. Lawrence.
John Wales.
Arthur Amory.

LOWELL, ST. ANNE'S.

John M. Pevey.
Frederick Taylor.
James B. Francis.

LOWELL, ST. JOHN'S.

William H. Dennis.
Charles E. Brown.
Albert G. Swan.

LOWELL, THE HOUSE OF PRAYER.

James Emmott.
Watson J. Hildreth.
Walter B. Coburn.

LYNN, ST. STEPHEN'S.

William F. Johnson.
John A. McArthur, M. D.
Edward S. Davis.

MALDEN, ST. PAUL'S.

Allan J. Chase.
William B. de las Casas.
William D. Hawley.

MARBLEHEAD, ST. MICHAEL'S.

William D. T. Trefry.
Frederick W. Coffin.
William L. R. Bassett.

MEDFORD, GRACE.

William I. Parker.
John B. Folger.
Benjamin P. Hollis.

MELROSE, TRINITY.

Frederick W. Thomas.
Royal P. Barry.
Daniel W. Foster.

MILFORD, TRINITY.

J. I. C. Cook.
Charles Dore.
George G. Parker.

MILLVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.

William A. Cole.
Louis K. Potter.
Frederick Hadfield.

NANTUCKET, ST. PAUL'S.

Wm. H. C. Lawrence.
Daniel C. Brayton.
Arthur E. Jenks.

NATICK, ST. PAUL'S.

James H. Gilligan
Charles Q. Tirrell.
John M. Flak.

NEW BEDFORD, GRACE.

M. W. Adams.
Edmund Rodman.
Benjamin T. Cummings.

NEWBURYPORT, ST. PAUL'S.

Nathaniel Foster.
Alfred Warner Lord.
Edward Strong Moseley.

NEWTON, GRACE.

George Sawyer Bullens.
William Sewall Gardner.
Francis J. Parker.

NEWTON (WEST AND AUBURN

DALE), CH. OF THE MESSIAH.

Nathaniel F. Nye.
William R. Caulkins.
Charles Edward Parker.

NEWTON (LOWER FALLS), ST. MARY'S.

Charles M. Sawyer.
Henry P. Eaton.
Francis Mills.

NORTH ADAMS, ST. JOHN'S.

Charles H. Read.
John Emmott.
William Arthur Gallup.

NORTHAMPTON, ST. JOHN'S.

William C. Robinson.
David W. Crofts.
William W. Lee.

NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH, GRACE.

Abel R. Block.
Oliver Stanley.
Thomas Schafeld.

OXFORD, GRACE.

E. E. Harwood.
L. E. Thayer.
F. A. Howarth.

PITTSFIELD, ST. STEPHEN'S.

William T. Filley.
Thomas H. Learned.
John Allen Root.

PLYMOUTH, CHRIST.

Not represented.

QUINCY, CHRIST.

Elisha Packard.
Walter T. Babcock.
Benjamin H. Warren.

ROCHDALE, CHRIST.

James E. Boardman.
Eliotridge G. Carlton.
James Harrop.

SALEM, GRACE.

Daniel B. Hagar.
John Francis Tuckerman.
John E. Peabody.

SALEM, ST. PETER'S.

George R. Curwen.
Charles E. Barnes.
T. Lyman Perkins.

SHEFFIELD, CHRIST.

Not represented.

SOMERVILLE, EMMANUEL.

Harry Highley.
Robert H. Gibby.
Alexander R. Benton.

SOMERVILLE (E.), ST. THOMAS'S.

Douglas Frazer.
George Vincent.
Thomas M. Durell, M. D.

SOUTHBOROUGH, ST. MARK'S.

Joseph Burnett.
Henry Holden Newton.
William Edward Peck.

SOUTH GROVELAND, ST. JAMES.

Charles A. Shaw.
David Mackie, jun.

SPRINGFIELD, CHRIST.

John B. Stebbins.
Daniel P. Crocker.
Edmund P. Kendrick.

STOCKBRIDGE, ST. PAUL'S.

John W. Inthrop.
William Pitt Palmer.
James H. Punderson.

SWANSEA, CHRIST.

William Henry Pearce.
Frank S. Stevens.

TAUNTON, ST. JOHN'S.

William H. Pleadwell.
George E. Chambers.
Jason H. Hayward.

ST. THOMAS'S.	WILKINSONVILLE, ST. JOHN'S.
H. Bent.	<i>Albert H. Whittn.</i>
Sanford.	Fred A. Dodge.
. Lovering.	<i>Nehemiah B. Chase.</i>
ENVILLE, TRINITY.	WOBURN, TRINITY.
<i>resented.</i>	<i>James Folsom.</i>
.D. EMMANUEL.	<i>John Walker.</i>
<i>resented.</i>	<i>James Mack.</i>
, CHRIST.	WOOD'S HOLL, CHURCH OF THE
<i>unt, M. D.</i>	MESSIAH.
Hovey.	Joseph S. Fay.
C. Caldwell.	<i>Charles E. Hatch.</i>
CHURCH OF THE REC-	Herbert C. Childs.
IATION.	WORCESTER, ALL SAINTS'.
<i>S. Slater.</i>	Edward L. Davis.
<i>rtlett.</i>	Charles M. Bent.
<i>A. Hodges.</i>	John D. Washburn.
D. CHURCH OF THE	WORCESTER, ST. MATTHEW'S.
EMENT.	<i>Alfred Thomas.</i>
<i>Henry Prescott.</i>	Henry L. Parker.
<i>C. Smith.</i>	John William Young.
H. TRINITY.	WRENTHAM, TRINITY.
<i>Avery.</i>	<i>Charles S. Doygett.</i>
A. Chessman.	<i>David T. Stone.</i>
teid.	Charles J. Randall.

er of Parishes, 105; of which 97 were represented by gates. Of these there were present 157; not present, ishes not represented, 8.

BISHOP announced the following named persons as the e on Qualifications:—

The Rev. JOHN T. MAGRATH.
 " " AUGUSTUS PRIME.
 " " SAMUEL S. SPEAR.

ists of the Clergy and the Credentials of the Lay Del-
 re referred to this Committee.

Convention took a recess to attend Divine Service in
 Church.

ng Prayer to the First Lesson was read by the Rev.
 M. BACKUS, the BISHOP pronouncing the Absolution,
 er Psalms being the 46th and 48th; the First Lesson
 :) by the Rev. HENRY E. COTTON; the Second Lesson
 ns iv. 1-16) by the Rev. JAMES F. SPALDING. The
 creed and Prayers were read by the Rev. CHARLES J.

The Hymn, 191, was announced by the Rev. PHILLIPS

BROOKS, D. D. The Ante-Communion Service to the Gospel,—the Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Easter, and that for All Saints' Day, together with its Epistle, being used,— was read by the Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE, the BISHOP reading the Gospel—that for All Saints' Day. The Notices were read by the Rev. WM. HENRY BROOKS, S. T. D. In observance of the Centenary of the Organization of the Diocese, a Discourse on "THE FIRST CENTURY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS" was delivered by the BISHOP. The Sentences at the Offertory were read, and the Hymn, 187, was announced, by the Rev. WM. HENRY BROOKS, S. T. D. The Alma, appropriated to the Episcopal Clerical Fund, intended to relieve aged, disabled, or indigent Clergymen of the Diocese, were received by the Revs. JAMES O. LINCOLN, ROBERT B. PARKER, WILFORD L. ROBBINS, and ENDICOTT PEABODY, Deacons. The Prayer for the Church Militant was read by the Rev. WILLIAM R. HARRIS. The Exhortation and Confession were read by the Rev. JAMES H. VAN BUREN. The Absolution was pronounced by the BISHOP. The Comfortable Words, to the Prayer of Humble Access, were said by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D. The BISHOP went on in the Service of the Communion, saying the Prayer in the name of all those to communicate with him, and the Prayer of Consecration. After the singing of the Hymn, 205, from verse 2, the Holy Communion was delivered by the BISHOP, the Revs. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., WILLIAM R. HARRIS, WILLIAM H. MUNROE, and WM. HENRY BROOKS, S. T. D., assisting in the delivery of the consecrated Bread and Wine. The Post-Communion was read by the Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., the BISHOP pronouncing the Blessing of Peace.

Immediately after Divine Service, the Convention returned to the Chapel for the despatch of business, and was called to order by the BISHOP.

The Rev. JOHN T. MAGRATH, from the Committee on Qualifications, presented the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON QUALIFICATIONS.

The Committee on Qualifications of Members of the Ninety-Fifth Convention would respectfully report,—

That they have examined the list of the Clerical Members, and find it correct.

They would also report that they have examined the Certificates of the Lay Delegates and have found them correct.

JOHN T. MAGRATH.
AUGUSTUS PRIME.
SAMUEL S. SPEAR.

The Report was accepted.

The SECRETARY called the roll of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates.

A constitutional quorum of both Orders being found present, the BISHOP declared the Convention organized for business.

The first business in order being the election of a Secretary, on motion of Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., —

Resolved, That in the election of a Secretary, balloting be dispensed with.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Rev. W. HENRY BROOKS, S. T. D., be elected.

The Secretary asked permission of the House to appoint the Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the request was granted.

On motion of Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., —

Resolved, That the reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention be dispensed with.

(For the Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order, see Appendix C.)

The BISHOP announced the appointment of the following five Standing Committees: —

<i>On the Admission of New Parishes.</i>	{	The Rev. JAMES P. FRANKS.
		" " J. MILTON PECK.
		" " HENRY HAGUE.
		Mr. JOSEPH W. WOODS.
		" CHARLES Q. TIRRELL.
<i>On the Constitution and Canons</i>	{	The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE.
		" " CHARLES L. HUTCHINS.
		" " REGINALD H. HOWE.
		Mr. CAUSTEN BROWNE.
		" JOHN C. ROPES.
<i>Executive Committee</i>	{	The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE.
		" " JOHN A. BEVINGTON.
		Mr. D. P. CROCKER.
<i>On Unfinished Business</i>	{	The Rev. JULIUS H. WARD.
		Mr. J. MORTON CLINCH.
		" JOHN F. PEARSON.
<i>On Finance</i>	{	The Rev. L. W. SALTONSTALL.
		Mr. WILLIAM B. HURD.
		" WILLIAM H. BENT.

The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes being in order, the Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR presented a petition from St. John's Church, Fall River, for admission into union with the Convention.

The documents required by the Constitution, together with the whole subject, were referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

Mr. ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON made a statement on behalf of the Committee on Hospitality, inviting the Clerical members of the Convention to avail themselves of arrangements for their entertainment; and also invited them to the Hotel Brunswick, where, during the recess, a dinner would be given in honor of the Centenary of the Diocese.

On motion, —

Resolved, That when the Convention takes a recess it be till 3¼ o'clock P. M.

The House then took a recess.

CHAPEL OF TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.
Wednesday, May 6, A. D. 1883.

3½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

On motion of the Rev. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN, the following proposed amendment to Canon II. was referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons: —

Resolved, That in Title 1, Canon II., Section 5, in the fifth line, the words "receive the votes of" be substituted for the words "call by name," and in the seventh line the words "receive the votes" be substituted for "call the names." That portion of the section will then read. "The Clerical Tellers shall take their places at the right of the President, and shall receive the votes of the Clerical members. The Lay Tellers shall take their places at the left of the President, and shall receive the votes of the Parishes entitled to representation, each Parish so entitled having one vote."

Parochial Reports being called for, they were received by the BISHOP.

On motion of Mr. GEORGE N. FISHER, the following proposed amendment to Canon II. was referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons: —

Resolved, That the fourth paragraph of Section 2, Canon II., Title 1, be amended by adding the words "nor unless such Parish shall have paid its Convention assessment for the year last preceding."

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, from the Standing Committee of the Diocese, made the Annual Report of that Body, as follows:

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee present the following Report for the Conventional year: The Committee was duly organized on the third day of June, 1884, by the choice of the Rev. Thomas R. Lambert, D. D., as President, and the Rev. George S. Converse as Secretary.

Eleven meetings have been held.

The Committee have signed the Canonical testimonials of Thomas Baker, J. Cullen Ayer and John McGaw Foster, recommending them to be admitted Candidates for Holy Orders.

They have signed the Canonical testimonials of Carlton P. Mills, George Alexander Strong, John W. Suter and Henry Wood, recommending them to be admitted to the Diaconate.

They have signed the Canonical testimonials of the Revs. Thomas Legate Fisher, Thomas A. Hyde, William Hyde, James Otis Lincoln, Robert B. Parker, Wilford Lash Robbins, Langdon L. Ward and Henry William Winkley, *Deacons*, recommending them for ordination to the Priesthood.

They have signed the Canonical testimonials of the Rev. Nelson S. Rulison, D. D., Assistant Bishop-elect of Central Pennsylvania; William Paret, D. D., Bishop-elect of Maryland, and George Worthington, D. D., Bishop-elect of Nebraska.

They have given their "consent," by a three-fourths vote, to the ordination to the Diaconate within three years of their admission as Candidates, of Messrs. Endicott Peabody, James Otis Lincoln, William S. Emery, T. W. Nickerson, Jr., Wilford Lash Robbins, Henry W. Winkley, Robert B. Parker, Sherrard Billings, Thomas A. Hyde, William Hyde and Langdon L. Ward.

They have given their "advice and consent," by a three-fourths vote, to the ordination to the Priesthood within one year from their reception of *Deacon's* orders, of the following *Deacons*, viz.: The Revs. James B. Drysdale, Ernest H. Mariett, Arthur H. Proffitt and Joseph A. Ticknor.

They have given their consent to the waiving of certain conditions in the Deed of Transfer of Church property from St. James's Church, Roxbury, to St. John's Church, Boston Highlands, and they have approved of the application of the General Missionary of the Diocese to the Trustees of Donations for the payment of a certain sum of money held in trust for the erection of a Church and Parish in Chicopee.

They have approved the Constitution and By-Laws of St. John's Church, Fall River.

For the Standing Committee.

GEORGE S. CONVERSE,

Secretary.

On motion of the SECRETARY, it was —

Resolved, That Clergymen belonging to other Dioceses, Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, former members of this Convention, all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present at its sittings, the Church-Wardens and Vestrymen of Trinity Church, Boston, and the Committee on Hospitality, be invited to honorary seats in this body.

The following appeared and took seats under the above resolution:—

The Rev. FRED. FRANCIS SMITHMAN	<i>Diocese of Nova Scotia, Canada.</i>
" " A. L. ROYCE	<i>Chaplain U. S. Navy.</i>
" " HENRY A. PARKER	<i>Diocese of New Hampshire.</i>
" " ALFRED GOLDSBOROUGH	<i>Connecticut.</i>
" " GEORGE D. WILDES, D. D.	<i>New York.</i>
" " HENRY M. TORBERT	" "
Mr. ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON	<i>Massachusetts.</i>
" ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, M. D.	" "

The BISHOP then delivered his Twelfth Annual Address.

Bishop Paddock's Twelfth Annual Address.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

We have been so engrossed since yesterday with the duties and pleasures of our Diocesan Centennial Commemoration, that I propose occupying your time for a few minutes only by my required Annual Address. I shall do little more than note such facts as you are canonically entitled to learn from me. The duty of reviewing our Century of Diocesan History, which the Convention of last year courteously laid upon me, I discharged as best I could this morning, and I cannot flatter myself that any member of this body will wish to hear much farther from me.

Since last we met in Convention, God has called to Himself three of our venerable and honored brethren of the Clergy. Henry Burroughs, D. D., after a brief illness, which was unknown to most of his brethren, died in Boston on the 8th day of June, 1884, in the seventieth year of his age. A man of unquestioned piety and consecration, of excellent learning and sound judgment, patient, firm, and unwearying as a Pastor, loyal and intelligent as a Churchman, true and noble as a gentleman, Dr. Burroughs left a

Great vacancy among the older and wiser Church people of our **D**iocese. His value in Committees, and as an Examining Chaplain, was highly appreciated by his Bishop and by many others who knew his quality. It was a sorrow to me that duties which I could not shake off prevented my presence at the good man's burial.

Dear old Dr. Clinch, that patient, accurate, patriarchal Secretary, who had sat by the side of the President of this Convention for thirty-six successive years, felt compelled, at our last meeting, you remember, to decline a re-election. Dr. Henry Burroughs was Chairman of a Committee to express the sense of the Convention as to its loss. We all looked for the early departure of the retiring Secretary, but none for the out-running of him, and the coming first to the sepulchre, by the brother disciple who read the loving testimony to "the great value of Dr. Clinch's services to the Church during this long period, and our appreciation of the fidelity, accuracy, thoroughness and kindness with which he discharged the duties of his very important office," and our wish and prayer "that his remaining years may be as full of peace as they are of honor." My last duty before going away for my vacation was to see this dear old saint of God, his face radiant with holy cheer and hope, and "his peace like a river"; but I was not prepared for the word which brought me back again within a week. Joseph Hart Clinch died on the 5th of July, in the seventy-ninth year of his age, and was buried from the Church of which he was for twenty-two years the happy Pastor, St. Matthew's, South Boston, on the 8th of July, 1884. Dr. Clinch was the son of an English Clergyman, of Newfoundland, and was born there, but was educated in England and at King's College, Nova Scotia, and was ordained in the latter Diocese. His character was most pure, genuine, lovable, amiable without weakness, charitable without indifference; he was an "humble and holy man of heart," and such an illustrator of the old-time religion of "simplicity and Godly sincerity" as we do not everywhere find nowadays.

A month later, namely August 12th, died in New Jersey, John Lee Watson, D. D., in the eighty-seventh year of his age. He had been a Chaplain in the Navy for a long period, but his orders had withdrawn him from residence in Massachusetts before your

present Bishop came among you, and his burden of years ~~was~~ him at home in New Jersey, so that it was not my privilege ~~to~~ know him. He was esteemed and honored by those who ~~known~~ him.

On the 31st of last May a weary and honor-laden, but ~~most~~ humble, old man went to his rest in Paradise in his ninety-first year, whose departure was noted by the Church the world around. The Rt. Rev. Benjamin Bosworth Smith, D. D., LL. D., the Bishop of Kentucky and the Presiding Bishop of the Church in the United States, was by consecration the oldest Bishop in Christendom. It was not until he had learned his trade as a cooper and was married, that he was led to seek a college education. Graduating at Brown University in 1816, he reached the Priesthood under Bishop Griswold in our old St. Michael's, Marblehead, in 1818, where he continued Rector for two years. He was consecrated Bishop of Kentucky in 1832, and when he died he had worn the mitre for fifty-two years, longer, as I have said, than any other living man in the Church the world over. Bishop Smith was my Consecrator. I shall never forget the solemnity of my interview with him when I went to seek his counsel just after I had been notified of my election here, twelve years ago. He thought my duty was clear, and after setting his glowing argument before me, he rested his case. But then he proposed seeking the throne of grace for light and strength. Breaking out, as I drew near to him, with the words,

"Jesus, I my cross have taken.
All to leave and follow Thee,"

he repeated with affecting fervor every verse of that 236th Hymn, then poured out his heart in prayer to God over his younger brother, and left me with his precious benediction.

His Episcopate began in a National Church of 14 Bishops, 600 Clergymen, and 31,000 Communicants. It ended with a Church of 64 Bishops, 3600 other Clergymen, and 380,000 Communicants.

The Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, an honored Presbyter of this Diocese, will lay upon our table, through our Secretary, the Official Notification of the Changes in the Prayer Book agreed to at the last General Convention. No action is required at our hands by the law of the Church.

I now proceed to the canonically required statement of my official acts since the last Convention. I have made 154 Visitations, besides taking official part in 56 other services, including Convocations, Consecrations, Ordinations, and the like. Official work with committees, trustees, theological examinations, etc., has consumed much time on 83 different occasions. I have delivered of sermons or addresses, 295; and on 140 occasions, public or private, I have confirmed 1262 persons. I herewith record the names of the Churches in which (or sometimes *for* which) Confirmations were held, and the numbers for each:—

Grace, Newton	9	St. John's, Fall River	10
St. Paul's, Newton Highlands	11	St. Luke's, Linden	7
Messiah, Auburndale	10	Mission, Saugus	4
St. James's, Greenfield	9	Good Shepherd, Clinton	7
Emmanuel, Shelburne Falls	3	Grace, New Bedford	14
St. John's, Northampton	3	St. James's, New Bedford	4
St. Philip's, Easthampton	1	Ascension, Fall River	13
Grace, Amherst	16	St. James's, Fall River	18
Atonement, Westfield	8	Christ, Quincy	11
St. Paul's, Holyoke	12	Ascension, Cambridge	7
Christ, Springfield	27	All Saints', Dorchester	6
Grace, Lawrence	15	St. Michael's, Marblehead	3
St. Paul's, North Andover	10	Holy Spirit, Mattapan	6
St. John's, Lawrence	15	St. Margaret's, Brighton	24
St. Paul's, Peabody	7	Christ, Cambridge	22
St. Andrew's, Hanover	3	St. John the Evangelist's, Boston	35
St. Paul's, Brockton	12	Christ, Hyde Park	5
Trinity, Bridgewater	4	St. John's, East Boston	12
Good Shepherd, Wareham	3	Advent, Boston	36
St. John's, Sandwich	1	St. Anne's, Dorchester	10
St. John's, Wilkinsons ville	5	St. James's, North Cambridge	15
Mission, Millbury	1	St. Luke's, Chelsea	17
Calvary, Danvers	7	Good Shepherd, Boston	23
St. Paul's, Nantucket	4	St. Paul's, Dedham	9
Grace, Vineyard Haven	4	Grace, South Boston	14
St. George's, Lee	3	Mission, Watertown	4
Ascension Memorial, Ipswich	7	St. Stephen's, Lynn	17
House of Good Samaritan, Boston	4	St. John's, Jamaica Plain	11
St. John's, Williamstown	7	St. Peter's, Salem	8
St. Mark's (German Congregation), Adams	12	Grace, Salem	4
St. Mark's, Adams	5	Trinity, Melrose	4
St. John's, North Adams	16	St. Paul's, Natick	7
St. Stephen's, Pittsfield	12	Reconciliation, Webster	6
Trinity, Lenox	3	St. Thomas's, Cherry Valley	6
St. James's, Great Barrington	6	St. Matthew's, Worcester	11
Grace, North Attleborough	7	St. John's, Worcester	30
St. John's, Gloucester	2	All Saints', Worcester	18
St. Peter's, Beverly	3	St. John's, Arlington	7
Redeemer, Lexington	8	All Saints', Chelmsford	3
		St. Anne's, Lowell	24

St. John's, Lowell	19	St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls	4
House of Prayer, Lowell	6	St. Peter's, Cambridge	11
Christ, Andover	7	Trinity, Woburn	7
St. James's, West Somerville	9	Christ, Boston	16
St. John's Memorial, Cambridge	11	St. Thomas's, East Somerville	21
Evangelists', Boston	8	Emmanuel, Somerville	4
St. Mark's, Southborough	12	St. James's, Amesbury	2
St. John's, Framingham	6	St. Paul's, Newburyport	6
Mission, Groton	8	St. John's, Taunton	12
Christ, Waltham	10	St. Thomas's, Taunton	10
St. Matthew's, South Boston	13	St. James's, South Groveland	8
St. Thomas's, Methuen	14	Trinity, Haverhill	6
Good Shepherd, Dedham	14	St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill	2
Emmanuel, Boston	16	St. Paul's, Malden	1
St. John's, Charlestown	19	Christ, Fitchburg	1
Mission, Canton	11	—, Hudson	1
St. James's, Roxbury	11	Trinity, Milford	2
Ascension, Waltham	2	Christ, Medway	2
Messiah, Boston	15	St. Paul's, Hopkinton	1
St. John's, Boston Highlands	20	St. John's, Millville	10
Trinity, Boston	57	St. Mark's, Boston	6
St. Paul's, Boston	15	Grace, Medford	9
Our Saviour, Longwood	5	Epiphany, Winchester	4
St. Paul's, Brookline	10		

As required by Canon, I lay before you, in an Appendix to this Address, the record of all my official acts for the year; not to be read unless called for, because of the consumption of time. It may be summarized as follows:—

Confirmations—(number of Administrations	140
Confirmations—(number confirmed)	1,362
Celebrations of the Holy Communion	45
Sermons preached	162
Addresses delivered	139
Catechisms and Sunday-school Addresses	9
Other Public Services	56
Examinations, Synodical and Committee Meetings, etc.	69
Burials	1
Marriages	1
Baptisms	10
Lay Readers licensed from Advent to Advent)	47
Candidates for Deacon's Orders (admitted 1), present number	2
Candidates for Priest's Orders (admitted or received, 5, transferred, 2), present number of Candidates	27
Ordinations (Deacons, 11, Priests, 4)	15
Clergymen deceased	3
Clergymen received	18
Clergymen transferred	15
Clergymen present number (Bishop, 1, Priests, 154; Deacons, 14)	169
Churches or Chapels in building	6
Churches consecrated	8
Churches or Chapels opened without Consecration	6
Bishops-elect, consent given	3

A noteworthy event of the year is the establishment of the Groton School, under the Rev. Endicott Peabody, a graduate of Cambridge University, England, but a Massachusetts man born and bred. The trustees now own a noble domain of nearly one hundred acres in the town of Groton, with a large modern house thereon, and the new brick School Building admirably equipped for the accommodation of twenty-five or more boys and the necessary teachers. It has been of late refusing farther admissions, and at an early day, will endeavor to erect another building. The noble domain was given by Messrs. James and Prescott Lawrence, but large subscriptions, from \$5,000 down, were at once added by generous and large-minded men, and a property of \$60,000 value rewards the brave efforts of the able Head-Master.

Our older School, St. Mark's, Southborough, is overflowing, constantly refusing applications, and probably was never in better condition.

A new School for Girls has been opened in Hingham, by Mrs. Dukes, an experienced teacher. It bears the honored name of "Keble School," is a pronounced Christian and Church School, and I trust it will receive, what I have no doubt it will deserve, the patronage of our people. No town in Massachusetts can offer more quiet, healthful, and refined surroundings than this ancient embowered sea-side village.

We have made solid advance in the building of Churches, Parish Houses and Rectories, God be praised! There has been built Epiphany, Winchester, an altogether unique and attractive edifice, mirrored in a clear stream and in a setting of forest trees, with an interior of graceful lines and effective coloring; it is a grand effort for a new Mission, and its cost, \$7,500, will soon be fully met, and the Church consecrated. St. Paul's, Gardner, which I have not seen, will cost about the same, of which a large amount yet remains to be gotten. St. John's, Worcester, a most vigorous new Parish, has built an excellent Church, which, with a choice lot, has cost \$14,000. St. James's, Fall River, a new Parish of great zeal, has expended almost \$10,000 for a beautiful Church, well placed. St. Matthew's Chapel of the Episcopal City Mission, in South Boston, has erected a Church and Parish House at an outlay of \$15,000. The last three enterprises have incurred

considerable debts, but the buildings were believed to be a necessity, and the indebtedness not discouraging. We have also acquired a little Summer Chapel at Duxbury.

An exquisite Memorial Church, of stone, is in building at Mattapan; and on a new site at Lenox, a more worthy church is about to be erected. Grace Church, Chicopee, built a quarter of a century ago, then lost, half-burned, desecrated, has been bought back, repaired, enlarged, paid for, and is to be consecrated on the Eve of Whitsun-day. This good work is chiefly due to our General Missionary.

I have consecrated since last Convention, Emmanuel Memorial, Shelburne Falls, a noble stone Church and Chapel, which I have noticed before, and costing \$30,000; Trinity, Bridgewater, a necessary though great undertaking for the ancient Parish, but grandly achieved at a cost of \$7,000, through the labors of the Rev. J. Milton Peck; St. Philip's of Bethsaida, a Summer Chapel at Mattapoisett, costing probably \$2,500; St. Paul's, Stockbridge, a unique and notable Memorial Church of stone, costing upward of \$50,000, the gift of one man; the grand new Chancel of old St. Anne's, Lowell, almost a church by itself, and costing, with other repairs on the Church, \$25,000; Trinity, Concord, a beautiful edifice of the stone from the fields, costing \$6,300; Christ Church, Medway, a like structure, costing about \$9,000; and St. Thomas's, Cherry Valley, well planned and satisfactory in every way, at a cost of \$4,500. In all eight Churches, costing \$101,000; the largest number of Consecrations ever recorded for any one year in the history of the Diocese.

Besides this, not a few Parishes have improved their Churches or other property. All Saints', Dorchester, has taken on an addition of at least fifty sittings. Trinity, Van Deusenville, has been thoroughly renewed by private munificence, as have Trinity, Milford, and Christ Church, Sheffield. Christ Church, Plymouth, has been well renovated. Christ Church, Boston, has been nobly renewed and decorated at a cost of \$8,000. Appropriate and beautiful chancel furniture, and general decorations costing about \$3,000, mark the great revival in St. Paul's, Boston. Christ Church, Hyde Park, and St. John's, Fall River, show a bettering hand. Ascension Memorial, Ipswich, has a handsome pulpit, the gift of Ascension Church, New York, and has put an organ,

costing \$1,000, into its beautiful Church. A handsome memorial pulpit appears in Christ Church, Cambridge. St. James's, Roxbury, has renovated its interior and exterior thoroughly and admirably, at a cost of \$6,000. St. Mark's, Southborough, has a new memorial pulpit, and is newly decorated, having expended about \$600. Grace, Vineyard Haven, has an enlarged and improved Chancel, at a cost of \$325, the gift of a true and generous friend.

The ear also is rejoiced by "the sound of the church-going bell" in several new quarters. St. John's, Boston Highlands, has received a gift of a peal of three bells; the Reconciliation, Webster, rejoices in the gift of a bell; and St. John's, North Adams, has received from its beloved Rector and his wife, a full-toned bell, as a memorial from each, of a father now worshipping in the temple not made with hands.

In other property our Parishes have made advances. St. John's, Jamaica Plain, has swept off its debt of \$15,000, and that exquisite Church building will soon be consecrated. St. James's, North Cambridge, has secured the invaluable corner-lot next its Church, — an admirable exercise of foresight, having already paid on its cost the sum of \$3,600. St. James's, North Cambridge, has also bought a choice lot for its Chapel at West Somerville, paying five-eighths of its cost, and will move the Chapel to the more commanding site. Grace, Newton, has completed, at a cost of \$13,000, all paid, a beautiful stone Parish House, with Chapel. Trinity, Van Deusenville, has received the gift of a useful Parish House from an ever generous friend. Trinity, Melrose, is now erecting a Parish House. St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls, has secured a Rectory, with ample grounds, paying a fair amount of its cost. St. Paul's, Brookline, is about to build a Rectory. The noble bequests of the saintly Chickering sisters, of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham, have endowed that Church with several thousand dollars, and have also built for it a handsome Rectory, worth between six and seven thousand dollars. St. Anne's, Lowell, has laid out upwards of \$3,000 on its ancient Rectory. St. John's, Ashfield, feeble but good, is renewing its Rectory at a considerable cost. A new and elegant Rectory, the gift of one noble woman, is in progress for the Church of Our Saviour, at Longwood.

I doubt not that many like tokens of interest, life and growth have escaped my remembrance; but I have certainly given you enough to show you that our old, historic Church is entering its second century with the Psalmist's blessing:—"The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree, and spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus; they also shall bring forth more fruit in their age, and shall be fat and well-liking, that they may show how true the Lord my strength is, and that there is no unrighteousness in Him."

The singular and very interesting revival of the long dormant work at Chicopee makes it my duty to call your attention to the fact that three years ago I reported to the Convention, as required by Art. XII. of the Constitution, that Grace Church, Chicopee, "had forfeited its connection with the Convention, and was no longer entitled to representation in the same." This report, without farther action, "caused the erasure of the name of this Parish from the list of Parishes in union with the Convention." But although "having forfeited its connection," and undoubtedly losing its right to representation, it has never lost its Parish life and corporate being, and is to-day a restored legal Parish and is desirous of restoration to its forfeited place and privileges. Must it begin anew and wait a year after the re-establishment of regular services? I venture to suggest that, as by Sections 4 and 5, of this twelfth Article, a *contumacious* Parish may make like forfeiture and still be "readmitted into the union with the Convention by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of each Order, such admission taking effect at the close of the session of the Convention," so this once decayed but now renewed Parish may be readmitted; and I suggest that this matter be referred to the proper Committee for early action.

Our benevolent Societies are reasonably prosperous. The Girls' Friendly Society, originated in this Diocese, is spreading quietly in other Dioceses and doing some visible good.

The Church Temperance Society is making progress, but not such as we might wish. It is hoping, however, to see its way soon to the appointment of a special agent, who could do much to increase its spread and efficiency. It still continues to owe a great debt of thanks to its able Secretary, the Rev. Edward W. Osborne.

The Massachusetts Branch of the Women's Auxiliary holds its steady, laborious course of zeal, and love, and good works, quickening many hearts among us, and blessing many far from us. It reports \$9,650 in receipts of money, and \$12,960 in value of boxes forwarded; in all \$22,600. But its work is still greater in quickening the hearts and enlarging the knowledge of very many souls in this Diocese. Its new President, Mrs. Mary D. Burnham, does but return to a work which she was largely instrumental in building up, a few years ago, before we lent her to the Diocese of Central New York. Her return is all the more welcome, as she comes back a *Deaconess*. She and Sister Julia have been formally transferred to this Diocese, while several other Deaconesses from the same band are now at work most acceptably among us. Sister Mary — Mrs. Burnham — is in charge of the new Home for Incurables, at Ashmont, Dorchester, and with her fellow Deaconesses, is doing a blessed and universally approved work. Sister Julia — Miss Percival — is in charge of St. Paul's Mission House, Boston.

The General Missionary Society of the Church has, as every Churchman of intelligence knows, found it extremely hard of late to keep clear of debt in the discharge of its magnificent work for Christ and the Church. No good Christian wants to see its work smaller. Under this pressing anxiety a few large-souled laymen have devised a scheme which they call "*the Enrolment Plan*," involving not a penny of outlay from beginning to end (other than expenses which *they* will meet), but capable of bringing an enormous boon to the Church. If among over 700,000 baptized members of the Church in this land, or over 380,000 Communicants, there can be found 200,000 who will give between now and the General Convention of 1886, the sum of \$5 each, there will be presented at the Opening Service of that august body *one million dollars*, to be used for the endowment of all the Missionary Episcopates at \$35,000 each, for Foreign Missions and Indian Work \$50,000 each, for the Widows and Orphans' Fund \$50,000, and for Schools, Churches and Hospitals among the Colored People \$325,000. What a magnificent result to flow from so simple a giving. These drops of water will indeed make a mighty ocean. I have faith to believe it can be done. It is worth every Christian's interest and effort. I have great pleasure

in notifying this Convention that Richard H. Dana, Esq., has consented to act as Treasurer for this Diocese. It is a name of strength and honor in this Diocese, and shall we not hear from some clergyman or layman in every Church who will accept the prepared Enrolment Book, and for the love of Christ, try and secure subscribers to the amount of \$5 each, payable within a year? Would to God I might say to our next Convention that there is not a Parish or Mission in Massachusetts totally unrepresented in that possible triumph!

Our Diocesan Board of Missions comes before Convention with a joyous sense of relief from the most oppressing anxieties of two months ago, and with outspoken gratitude to God and to the loyal clergy and laity of the Diocese. It reported to you at the last Convention a debt of about \$1,900. It has cleared that off, done all its work of the year, received \$12,945, and has about \$150 in its treasury. Our Churches have given more offerings, and about \$1,850 more than ever before. Let us not forget to give God thanks. But let us not forget to learn a lesson from our perils and anxieties of the Winter. Only because of the remarkable awakening of interest when a special number of the suspended Paper, "The Diocese," and a Pastoral Letter of the Bishop, had raised the cry of distress and alarm, did we find an almost unexpected deliverance. We cannot *live* by such means. I do not forget that it has been a hard year; but there are many Christian men and women not yet disabled. I am persuaded that many of our poorer Churches have done well, considering the duties at home, which are prior. But I do lament the lack of large *individual* offerings, proportionate to the ability of the giver, which, in many cases, would bring the offerings of a Church, mostly poor, from fifty to two hundred and fifty dollars higher than we find them. There are Churches whose annual gifts are so moderate, that no stretch of charity can find place in them for the ten, twenty, or fifty dollar bank-notes which several men in those Churches owe to this cause of Christ and His Church in this Diocese. And I do further lament the fact, that while a disaster to a remote Diocese, injuring a few of its Churches, can most honorably and nobly call forth within a month, a response from seventy of our Parishes amounting to \$3,500, the warding off of disasters from twice as many of our own Churches, with no other

robust Dioceses to help, and the planting of new Churches besides, can call forth during twelve months only about three times as much. I do lament that, with the General Missions of the Church commendably filling our Parishes with statements and appeals, and putting into our pulpits able pleaders—all of which is right—we are doing almost nothing, except to announce to our people the two annual collections and to express the usual pious “hope that the offering will be a generous one.” Since we have discontinued our quarterly issue of “The Diocese” newspaper, and Convocations have frequently ceased to have a “Missionary Evening,” I should like to know how the average Churchman in our congregations is to know anything about a cause which has such grand claims, motives, and achievements as Missions in the Diocese. To expect such Christians to give liberally is to do dishonor to their intelligence, because they must give blindly. To depend on such giving is to ask God to work moral miracles for the immoral end of comforting us in the disuse of means.

I have a very clear idea of what the means are. You may not agree with me,—some of you,—but I will quit my conscience by stating them. First, the means are not to be found in any reconstruction of our machinery. If the history of this Diocese is worth anything it reinforces the teaching of sound reason and good Churchmanship, viz.: that it is not wise to commit the work of originating new enterprises or sustaining older undertakings to a half-dozen organizations, some of them in danger of becoming partisan; some, from their very numbers,—and therefore varying attendance, divided responsibility, vacillating policy and wavering interest,—in danger of hastiness and instability; some, from the absence or feebleness of the lay element in their counsels, not ensuring lay sympathy and co-operation; some, from irresponsibility to Diocesan authority, open to

- unwise methods and the invitations of showy but shallow fields. Assuredly no system can be wiser than that which declares the Diocesan Church the one body responsible for the work of Missions, and which through the clerical and lay vote of that Church in Synod, creates a strong Committee, with the Bishop at its head, with clerical and lay members in equal numbers, so timed that three-quarters of the body is always possessed of from one to four years' experience; and, finally, reinforces the same by a

clerical and lay member, annually chosen by each Convocation of the Diocese; said four Convocations being canonically "recognized and adopted as auxiliaries of the Board in exploring missionary fields, and in other convenient methods of co-operation."

I find no fault with "the wheels." But the prophet Ezekiel, in his great vision of the wheels, whose "appearance and work was like unto the color of beryl," and "which went upon their four sides, and turned not when they went," and whose sound "was like the noise of great waters, and as the voice of the Almighty," tells us that "*the Spirit of the Living Creature was in the wheels*"—that Creature "which ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning." The *Spirit within the wheels* is our necessity. We want every Minister of Christ charged to the full with that part of the Spirit of Christ which is the missionary spirit. We want to cease hoping that the water of life, by running through our little parish pipes, will rise higher than its head, the Minister. We want the same sort of *instruction* from every pastor as to the principles, the motives, the methods, and the successes of Missions in general and in the Diocese, that he gives in every other branch of the Christian life in which he would see his people grow in grace; and (unless always attended by an offering, as if that were its chief motive), it may be among the most welcome instructions of the year. We want—what they would never be without in the best ordered Churches of England and the Colonies—a meeting for missionary prayers, praises, and addresses, in every congregation of the Diocese, at least once a year. We want Convocations never to suggest to a Parish that from ten to fifty ministers of Christ may meet among them, share their hospitality, break the bread of life, discuss for the enjoyment of the Clergy a difficult question of doctrine, discipline, or ritual, and find all duty done and God's benediction awaited, without a word breaking forth from hearts aglow, from the fire that is in their bones in behalf of every Christian soul's duty to pray, toil, give for the coming of the Kingdom of Christ, and for the preaching the Gospel to every creature. Only see to it that some willing brother comes to the gathering of the people for "a missionary sermon" on the first night; and that three zealous brethren, clerical or lay, tarry over the second night for "missionary addresses"; and then, with the Holy Sacrament,

and your literary feast, and your reports of interesting explorations, special services, and parish missionary meetings, added, you have an ideal Convocation.

Dear Brethren, one and all, help us to arrest our surface-tillage of our great Diocesan Missionary field; our periodical seeking of a harvest without previous ploughing and sowing; our poor husbandry, cropping the soil twice a year for its yield, but putting nothing back; until, for lack of foregoing judicious and systematic tillage, our field may be worn out when it ought to be, like a well-managed farm, growing better and better all the time. If you think I speak the mind of the Owner of the field and of its workmen too, you will heed what I say, and may the good Lord help us all to see and do our duty.

We cannot err in praying that, through us or some better workmen, through our present methods or better ones, "by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, the comfortable Gospel of Christ may be truly preached, truly received, and truly followed, in all places, to the breaking down of the kingdom of sin, Satan, and death, till at length the whole of Christ's dispersed sheep, being gathered into one fold, shall become partakers of everlasting life; through the merits and death of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen."

APPENDIX TO THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

I.

I—HELPERS AND SEEKERS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY.

1. LAY READERS.

(Holding License until Advent, 1885.)

Thomas Mair.	Alfred Gilman.
E. C. Millett.	William J. James.
Frederick A. Warner.	Edmund S. Middleton.
Henry P. Webber.	Elliot H. Bunstead.
F. E. Flske	N. W. Farrar
Charles E. Barnes.	Gustavus Tuckerman
Harry W. B. Stafford	Roland Cotton Smith.
James N. Edmonston.	William S. Chase
Paul B. Watson	Walter E. C. Smith.
Robert M. Lawrence.	Carlton F. Mills
James F. Sayer, Jun.	D. Dulaney Addison.
William E. Peck.	Francis L. C. Barton.
Henry M. Snell	Wallace H. Ham
George C. Tate	George Alexander Strong
Edmund S. Rousmaniere.	Henry Wood.
George K. Curwen	Clarence E. Kelley
John W. Young.	Henry C. Austin.
Charles H. Baggs.	William E. Nies.
John W. Suter	Donald Black
Albert L. Pillsbury	Percy S. Grant.
Edgar W. Upton	Walter D. Humphrey.
Lemuel A. Bishop.	John F. Nichols.
William H. Williams.	Lyman H. Merrill
Albert C. Blaisdell	John L. Holah.

2. CANDIDATES FOR DEACONS' ORDERS.

Charles E. Barnes	Admitted May	6, 188
John McGaw Foster	" May	5, 188

3. CANDIDATES FOR PRIESTS' ORDERS.

Alfred F. Washburn (Deacon)	Admitted Oct.	2, 187
Henry R. Sargent	Nov.	2, 188
Endicott Peabody (Deacon)	May	4, 188
James O. Lincoln (Deacon)	June	3, 188
Wilford L. Robbins (Deacon)	Nov.	26, 188

Henry W. Winkley (Deacon)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted Dec.	7, 1881
John W. Suter	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Dec.	7, 1881
Sherrard Billings (Deacon)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Jan.	4, 1882
William Hyde (Deacon)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Jan.	4, 1882
Thomas A. Hyde (Deacon)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Jan.	4, 1882
Carlton P. Mills	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" July	4, 1882
Langdon L. Ward (Deacon)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Nov.	8, 1882
Henry Wood	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Dec.	6, 1882
George Alexander Strong	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Jan.	5, 1883
Philip M. Washburn	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" July	3, 1883
William E. Nies	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Nov.	7, 1883
Gustavus Tuckerman	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Jan.	3, 1884
Edmund S. Rousmaniere	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Feb.	6, 1884
Walter E. C. Smith	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Feb.	6, 1884
Robert B. Parker (Deacon)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Received by Letters Feb.	18, 1884
Percy S. Grant	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted March	4, 1884
Arthur H. Wright	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" May	6, 1884
Thomas Baker	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	" Nov.	5, 1884
William James	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Received by Letters Nov.	10, 1884
William H. Williams	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Received by Letters March	24, 1885
Henry A. Adams (Deacon)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Received by Letters April	24, 1885
Roland Cotton Smith (Deacon)	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	Received by Letters May	5, 1885

II. — THE CLERGY RECORD.

1. CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

Consent Given.

Nelson S. Rullson, D. D., to be Assistant Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

William Paret, D. D., to be Bishop of Maryland.

George Worthington, D. D., to be Bishop of Nebraska.

2. ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE.

June 18, 1884.	Endicott Peabody, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	Robert Benjamin Parker, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	Langdon Lauriston Ward, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	Henry William Winkley, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	Sherrard Billings, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	William Stanley Emery, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	Thomas White Nickerson, jun., in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	James Otis Lincoln, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	Wilford Lash Robbins, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	Thomas Alexander Hyde, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	William Hyde, in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.
" 18, 1884.	Alfred Bull Nichols (for the Bishop of Connecticut), in St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge.

3. ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

June 11, 1884.	James B. Drysdale, in St. Paul's Church, Boston.
" 11, 1884.	Arthur Heeley Proffit, in St. Paul's Church, Boston.
" 11, 1884.	Ernest Homer Marlett, in St. Paul's Church, Boston.
Dec. 17, 1884.	Thomas Legate Fisher, in St. Luke's Church, Linden.

" 30, 1884. Thomas L. Fisher (Deacon), from Central New York.
 Sept. 9, 1884. Alex. H. Vinton, from Pennsylvania.
 " 16, 1884. Leverett Bradley, from Maine.
 " 18, 1884. Albert U. Stanley, from Connecticut.
 Oct. 1, 1884. Henry H. Haynes, from Colorado.
 Nov. 20, 1884. Francis G. Burgess, from Pennsylvania.
 Dec. 4, 1884. J. Sydney Kent, from New Hampshire.
 " 5, 1884. James H. Van Buren, from New Jersey.
 Jan. 1, 1885. James S. Ellis, from Easton.
 " 14, 1885. William J. Alger, from South Carolina.
 " 16, 1885. John B. Wicks, from Indian Territory.
 " 21, 1885. William P. Brush, from Long Island.
 Feb. 4, 1885. John A. Bevington, from Indiana.
 April 24, 1885. Henry A. Adams (Deacon), from Connecticut.
 " 29, 1885. David J. Ayers, from New York.
 May 5, 1885. Roland Cotton Smith (Deacon), from Iowa.

6. TRANSFERRED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

May 26, 1884. Jesse E. Heald, to Connecticut.
 June 19, 1884. Thomas W. Nickerson, jun. (Deacon), to New York.
 Aug. 12, 1884. Alfred E. Johnson, to New Hampshire.
 " 12, 1884. Arthur H. Barrington, to South Dakota.
 " 16, 1884. Theodore E. Hamel, to North Dakota.
 Sept. 9, 1884. William McGlathery, to New York.
 " 15, 1884. William S. Emery (Deacon), to New Hampshire.
 " 18, 1884. John A. Bevington, to Indiana.
 " 20, 1884. James M. Hillyar, to East Carolina.
 Oct. 18, 1884. Lawrence H. Schwab, to New York.
 Nov. 17, 1884. Montgomery H. Throop, jun., to Indiana.
 " 17, 1884. James B. Drysdale, to New York.
 " 24, 1884. James E. Wilkinson, to Central New York.
 " 25, 1884. Charles L. Wells, to Maine.
 April 29, 1885. Samuel Edwards, to Pennsylvania.

7. DECEASED.

June 8, 1884. Henry Burroughs, D. D.
 July 5, 1884. Joseph H. Clinch, D. D.
 Aug. 12, 1884. John Lee Watson, D. D.

M. H. Throop, jun., Assistant, Messiah, Boston.
John A. Bevington, Assistant, St. Paul's, Boston.
L. H. Schwab, Assistant, All Saints', Worcester.
J. C. Hewlett, Missionary, St. Paul's, Gardner.
E. S. Cross, in charge, St. John's, Worcester.
J. A. Jerome, in charge, Grace, Vineyard Haven.
William G. Wells, Rector, St. John's, Lawrence.
H. W. Fay, Rector, St. Paul's, Nantucket.
J. Milton Peck, Rector, Trinity, Bridgewater.
C. W. Duffield, in charge, St. John's, Ashfield.
C. L. Wells, in charge, Trinity, Weymouth, and St. John the Evangelist's, Hingham.
W. J. W. Finlay, in charge, St. Peter's, Beverly.
C. M. Addison, Rector, St. John's, Arlington, and Missionary, Epiphany, Winchester.
A. H. Proffitt, Rector, Christ Church, Sheffield, and Trinity, Van Deusenville.
Samuel Edwards, Rector, Trinity, Milford, and Missionary, Christ Church, Medway.
J. E. Lindholm, Rector, St. James's, Great Barrington.
Thomas W. Nickerson, Missionary, Oxford.
L. C. Stewardson, Rector, Reconciliation, Webster.
James E. Wilkinson, Missionary, Ascension, Cambridge.
Charles D. Barbour, Missionary, Christ Church, Plymouth.
H. H. Haynes, Assistant, St. Paul's, Boston.

9. ELECTIONS OR APPOINTMENTS.

George F. Pratt, Rector, Good Shepherd, Clinton.
Langdon L. Ward, in charge, St. James's, Amesbury.
Robert B. Parker, in charge, St. Paul's, North Andover.
Henry W. Winkley, in charge, St. Paul's, Newton Highlands.
Endicott Peabody, Head Master, Groton School.
Sherrard Billings, Assistant, Groton School.
James O. Lincoln, Missionary, St. John's, Williamstown.
Ernest H. Mariett, Missionary, St. James's, Fall River.
Wilford L. Robbins, in charge, The Redeemer, Lexington.
Thomas A. Hyde, Missionary, St. Paul's, Gardner.
Thomas L. Fisher, in charge, St. Luke's, Linden.
Alex. H. Vinton, Rector, All Saints', Worcester.
Leverett Bradley, Rector, Christ Church, Andover.
Albert U. Stanley, Rector, Reconciliation, Webster.
Henry H. Haynes, Assistant, St. Paul's, Boston.
Francis G. Burgess, in charge, St. John's, Worcester.
H. N. Cunningham, in charge, St. Philip's, Easthampton.
J. Sidney Kent, Rector, St. John's, Lawrence.
James H. Van Buren, Rector, St. Paul's, Newburyport.
William J. Alger, Rector, St. John's, Millville.
John B. Wicks, Rector, Trinity, Milford, and Missionary, Christ Church, Medway.
Roland Cotton Smith, in charge, St. Peter's, Beverly.
William P. Brush, Rector, St. John's, Northampton.
William G. Wells, Rector, St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls.
John A. Bevington, in charge, Good Shepherd, Wareham, and Missionary, St. John's, Sandwich.
George P. Huntington, in charge, St. John's, Ashfield.
J. Milton Peck, Rector, St. Paul's, Malden.
Henry A. Adams, Rector, St. James's, Great Barrington.
David J. Ayers, Rector, Trinity, Haverhill.

Nov. 12, 1884. St. Paul's, Stockbridge.
 " 20, 1884. St. Anne's, Lowell (new Chancel and renewed Church).
 Jan. 3, 1885. Trinity, Concord.
 " 8, 1885. Christ Church, Medway.
 Feb. 14, 1885. St. Thomas's, Cherry Valley.

2. OPENED WITHOUT CONSECRATION.

St. John's, Worcester.	Sunday School and Park
Chapel, Duxbury.	Paul's, Malden.
St. James's, Fall River.	Chapel and Parish House,
The Epiphany, Winchester	106.
Clergy and Choir House, Advent, Boston.	

3. IN BUILDING.

St. Matthew's Chapel of the City Mis-	Church of the Holy Spirit,
sion, South Boston.	Parish House and Chapel,
St. Paul's, Gardner.	Grace, Chicopee.

APPENDIX TO THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

II.

JOURNAL OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

1884.

- May 14.** Wednesday, 9 A. M.: Trinity Chapel, Boston; opened and presided at the meeting for organization of the Ninety-Fourth Annual Convention of the Diocese. 9½ A. M.: Trinity Church; took part in the Opening Services of Convention, and celebrated the Holy Communion; after which, at the Chapel, presided at the meeting to complete the organization. 3 P. M.: Trinity Chapel; presided, and delivered my Eleventh Annual Address.
- " 15. 9 A. M.: Trinity Church, Boston; Morning Prayer with the Convention; after which, session of that body in the Chapel. P. M.: Presided at the Annual Meeting of the Church Temperance Society. Later: Presided at the final session of Convention, closing at 7 P. M.
- " 16. Boston: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 18. Fifth Sunday after Easter, A. M.: Grace, Newton; preached, confirmed 10 (one being for the Church of the Advent, Boston), and addressed them. P. M.: St. Paul's, Newton Highlands; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them. Evening: Messiah, Auburndale; preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 19. A. M.: Boston; Directors of the Episcopal Clerical Fund, and afterwards the Corporation. P. M.: Committee from a Church.
- " 20. A. M.: Boston; First Canonical Examination of Candidates for Deacons' Orders. P. M.: Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
- " 21. Noon: Trinity, Concord; laid the corner-stone of the new Church, and made an address.
- " 22. Ascension Day, Evening: St. James's, Greenfield; preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 23. A. M.: Emmanuel Memorial, Shelburne Falls; Consecrated Church, preached, confirmed 3, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Baptized 3 children.
- " 24. P. M.: St. John's, Ashfield; conference with the Vestry; preached in the Church. Evening: St. John's, Northampton; conference with the Wardens of the vacant Parish.
- " 25. Sunday after Ascension: St. John's, Northampton; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them. Evening: St. Philip's, Easthampton; preached, and confirmed 1; made an address of congratulation on the successful effort of the Parish in securing a proper building site.
- " 26. Evening: Grace, Amherst; preached, confirmed 15, and addressed them; afterwards confirmed 1 in private.
- " 27. Evening: Atonement, Westfield; preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them.

- May** 28. **P. M.** General Theological Seminary, New York; Annual Meeting of the Trustees.
- " 29. **A. M.** General Seminary, Meeting of the Associate Alumni. Later in the Seminary Chapel, assisted in the Office for the Holy Communion. Noon. Attended the laying of the corner-stone of the new Library Building.
- June** 1. **Whitsun-day, A. M.** St. Paul's, Holyoke; preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them; also celebrated the Holy Communion. **Evening.** Christ, Springfield, preached, confirmed 27, and addressed them.
- " 4. **Ember Day, A. M.** Boston, Diocesan Board of Missions. **P. M.** Second session of the Board.
- " 5. **Evening.** St. Anne's, Lincoln; preached.
- " 6. **Ember Day, A. M.** Boston; Second Canonical Examination of Candidates for the Diaconate. **P. M.** Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 7. **A. M.** Boston; Third Examination of Candidates for the Diaconate.
- " 8. **Trinity Sunday, A. M.** Grace, Lawrence; preached, confirmed 14, and addressed them. **P. M.** St. Paul's, North Andover; preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them. **Evening.** St. John's, Lawrence, preached, confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 9. **A. M.** In Methuen, confirmed in private 1, for Grace, Lawrence. **Evening.** St. Paul's, Peabody; preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 10. Boston, Conference with Candidates for the Priesthood.
- " 11. **St. Barnabas, A. M.** St. Paul's, Boston, took part in Morning Prayer; Ordained to the Priesthood Arthur H. Proffitt, James B. Drysdale, and Ernest H. Mariett, celebrated the Holy Communion, the Sermon was preached by the Rev. J. T. Magrath.
- " 12. **P. M.** St. Andrew's, Hanover; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them. **Evening.** St. Paul's, Brockton; preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 13. **Evening.** Trinity, Bridgewater; preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 15. **First Sunday after Trinity, A. M.** Good Shepherd, Wareham, preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them, celebrated the Holy Communion. **P. M.** In the Unitarian House of Worship, Sandwich (kindly loaned to St. John's Mission), preached, confirmed 1, and explained the meaning of the rite.
- " 16. Boston; Second Examination of a Candidate for Deacon's Orders, acting for the Bishop of Connecticut.
- " 18. **A. M.** St. John's Memorial Church, Cambridge, Ordained to the Diaconate Wm. S. Emery, Thomas W. Nickerson, jun., Endicott Peabody, Thomas A. Hyde, William Hyde, Langdon L. Ward, Sherrard Billings, Wilford L. Robbins, Robert B. Parker, Henry W. Winkley, James O. Lincoln, also Alfred B. Nichols for the Bishop of Connecticut; celebrated the Holy Communion, delivered the diplomas to the Graduating Class, and addressed them.
- " 19. **A. M.** St. Paul's, Boston; married the Rev. Geo. H. Buck to Miss Harriet G. Reed.
- " 20. **P. M.** St. John's, Wilkinsonville; preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them. **Evening.** Mission, Millbury, preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 22. **Second Sunday after Trinity, A. M.** Pequot Chapel, New London, Conn., full service, and preached. **P. M.** Evening Prayer.
- " 25. **A. M.** Trinity College, Hartford; Meeting of the Corporation. **P. M.** Second session.
- " 27. Boston; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 29. **Third Sunday after Trinity and St. Peter, A. M.** Emmanuel, Manchester;

- preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: Calvary, Danvers; catechised and addressed the Sunday School; preached, confirmed 9 (1 being for St. Paul's, Peabody, and 1 for St. John the Evangelist's, Boston), and addressed them.
- July** 6. Fourth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Menauhant Hotel, East Falmouth; full service and sermon.
- " 8. P. M.: St. Matthew's, South Boston; took part in the funeral of the Rev. J. H. Clinch, S. T. D., our late Secretary of Convention, and brother beloved and honored.
- " 11. A. M.: St. Philip's of Bethsaida, Mattapoisett; Consecrated the new Church, preaching, and celebrating the Holy Communion. Evening: Messiah, Wood's Holl; preached; the Rector's long and afflictive illness still disables him.
- " 13. Fifth Sunday after Trinity: St. Paul's, Nantucket; in the illness of the Rector I took all the services of the day; in the morning I preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them; and in the evening I preached.
- " 20. Sixth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Grace, Vineyard Haven; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them. P. M.: Trinity, Cottage City; I preached. This latter is purely a "Summer Church," but is a beautiful structure, and will be productive of much good.
- " 27. Seventh Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Hotel Menauhant, East Falmouth; Morning Prayer. P. M.: Service and sermon at "the Rink."
- Aug.** 3. Eighth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Sugar Hill, N. H.; service and sermon.
- " 10. Ninth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Sugar Hill, N. H.; celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 17. Tenth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Sugar Hill, N. H.; service and sermon.
- " 24. Eleventh Sunday after Trinity and St. Bartholomew, A. M.: Nahant, Mass.; service and sermon.
- " 31. Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Sugar Hill, N. H.; service and sermon.
- Sept.** 7. Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; celebrated the Holy Communion and preached. P. M.: baptized an infant. Evening: service and sermon.
- " 11. P. M.: Trinity College Chapel, Hartford; assisted at the opening service of the new college year.
- " 13. P. M.: St. Paul's, Otis; preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 14. Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. George's, Lee; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them. P. M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: Mission, South Lee; preached.
- " 16. A. M.: Boston; Committee from a Parish.
- " 17. Ember Day, P. M.: St. Paul's Chapel, Boston; prayers, and an address at the Woman's Auxiliary meeting.
- " 21. Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity and St. Matthew, A. M.: Ascension Memorial, Ipswich; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them. P. M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: preached.
- " 23. A. M.: Trinity, Bridgewater; consecrated the new Church—a grand success, reflecting great credit on the Rector and his helpers—and celebrated the Holy Communion; Dr. Chambré kindly preached the sermon. Evening: Christ Church, Plymouth, at the Southern Convocation; made an address on Missions.
- " 24. A. M.: Christ Church, Plymouth; celebrated the Holy Communion; presided over two meetings of the Convocation.
- " 25. P. M.: House of the Good Samaritan, Boston; confirmed 1 in private and 3 in the Chapel, under the Rev. George H. Buck, and addressed them.
- " 27. Evening: All Saints' Mission, South Williamstown; preached; also baptized 4, one being an adult.
- " 28. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. John's, Williamstown; preached,

- confirmed 7, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: St. Mark's, Adams confirmed 12, and addressed them, for a German congregation under charge of the Rector. Evening: same Church; confirmed 5 preached, and addressed them.
- " 29. St. Michael and All Angels, evening; St. John's, North Adams; preached, confirmed 16, and addressed them.
- " 30. P. M.: St. Luke's, Lanesborough, preached.
- Oct. 1. Evening St. Stephen's, Pittsfield, preached, confirmed 12 (2 being from Dalton, presented by the General Missionary), and addressed them.
- " 2. Evening Trinity, Lenox, preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 3. Evening Christ, Sheffield, preached; afterwards met the Vestry, the Parish being vacant.
- " 5. Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. James's, Great Barrington; preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them, celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening Trinity, Van Deusenville, preached, met the Vestry, the Parish being vacant.
- " 9. P. M.: Boston Diocesan Board of Missions. Evening: Committee from a vacant Mission.
- " 10. Boston, Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 12. Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Grace, North Attleborough; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them. P. M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening Trinity, Wrentham, preached; Parish vacant.
- " 15. P. M.: St. Paul's Chapel, Boston, social meeting with the Woman's Auxiliary. Evening St. Paul's Church, presided at, and addressed, the Anniversary of the same.
- " 17. A. M.: Boston, Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans. Noon the Episcopal Clerical Fund.
- " 19. St. Luke the Evangelist, A. M.: Boston, Annual Meeting of the Trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents. P. M.: Trustees' visit at the Institution.
- " 19. Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. John's, Gloucester; preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them. Evening St. Peter's, Beverly; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 22. Evening The Redeemer, Lexington; preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 26. Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: Christ Church, Swansea; preached. Evening: St. John's, Fall River; preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 28. St. Simon and St. Jude, A. M.: St. John's Memorial Chapel, Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge; matriculation of the new students; made an address.
- " 31. P. M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the Church Temperance Society.
- Nov. 1. All Saints', P. M.: Boston; Annual Meeting of the Episcopal Church Association.
- " 2. Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity, A. M.: St. Luke's, Linden; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: Mission, Saugus; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them. Evening Christ Church, Boston, the Re-opening day, after great and admirable improvements.
- " 3. Noon. Boston, Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School. P. M.: Wardens of a Vacant Parish.
- " 5. P. M.: Boston, Trustees of the Church Home for Orphans; Annual Meeting of the Corporation; presided at and addressed a meeting of the children.
- " 6. P. M.: Boston, Executive Committee of the Church Temperance Society.

- Nov.** 7. **P. M.:** Boston; Adjourned Annual Meeting of the Episcopal Church Association. Later: Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 8. Boston; Committee from a Mission.
- " 9. Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity, **A. M.:** Good Shepherd, Clinton; preached. Evening: preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 10. Evening: St. Stephen's, Pittsfield; opening service of the Eighteenth Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting.
- " 11. **A. M.:** Same Church; preached the *Concilio ad Clerum* and celebrated the Holy Communion. **P. M.:** presided at and addressed the Meeting for Sunday School Interests. Evening: presided at the Missionary Meeting.
- " 12. **A. M.:** St. Paul's, Stockbridge; consecrated the beautiful and enduring Church, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 13. **P. M.:** Trinity College, Hartford; Trustee Meeting; assisted at the Chapel service; second session of the Trustees.
- " 14. **A. M.:** Christ Church, Hartford; took part in Connecticut's Diocesan Commemoration of the One Hundreth Anniversary of Bishop Seabury's Consecration; assisted in the Communion office.
- " 16. Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity, **A. M.:** Grace, New Bedford; preached, confirmed 14, and addressed them. Evening: St. James's, New Bedford; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them. This Church is well cared for by the Rev. S. B. Duffield, during the absence of its Rector on account of ill health.
- " 17. **P. M.:** Boston; opened with prayer the meeting of the Law and Order Reform League; addressed the meeting.
- " 19. **P. M.:** Boston; Annual Meeting of the Episcopal City Mission Society. Later: Meeting of the Executive Committee.
- " 20. **A. M.:** St. Anne's, Lowell; consecration of the new and grand chancel of the Church; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 22. **P. M.:** St. James's Mission, Fall River; in the Hall used for worship said prayers and made an address; then, at the site, laid the corner-stone of the new Church.
- " 23. Sunday before Advent, **A. M.:** Ascension, Fall River; preached, confirmed 13, and addressed them. **P. M.:** St. Mark's Mission; catechised and addressed the Sunday School, also preached. Later: conferred with the officers of the Mission. Evening: St. James's; preached, confirmed 18, and addressed them.
- " 30. Advent Sunday and St. Andrew, **A. M.:** Christ Church, Quincy; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them, also celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Ascension, Cambridge; preached, confirmed 7 (1 being for St. Paul's, Boston), and addressed them.
- Dec.** 1. **P. M.:** Church of the Holy Spirit, Mattapan; laid the corner-stone and made an address.
- " 2. **A. M.:** Boston; Committee of the Episcopal City Mission. Evening: St. Matthew's, South Boston; conference of said Committee with the Vestry of St. Matthew's.
- " 3. **A. M.:** St. Paul's, Boston; first meeting with Christian Women, on the Christian Life and Work; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. **P. M.:** Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 7. Second Sunday in Advent, **A. M.:** All Saints', Dorchester; preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them (2 being for the Church of the Advent, Boston). **P. M.:** St. Matthew's Chapel, City Point; catechised and addressed the Sunday School; afterwards preached, and also addressed the congregation on the new Church and its proposed work.
- " 8. **P. M.:** Boston; Committee from a new Mission enterprise.
- " 10. Evening: St. Michael's, Marblehead; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.

- Dec. 11. A. M.: Boston; Third Canonical Examination of a Candidate for Priest's Orders. Evening: Meeting in the Anti-Mormon Interest.
- " 12. Evening: The Holy Spirit, Mattapan; preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 13. P. M.: Boston: Trustees of St. Luke's Home.
- " 14. Third Sunday in Advent, A. M.: St. Paul's, Malden, preached; after service held a conference with the Vestry. Evening: St. Margaret's, Brighton; confirmed 2 at the temporary house of the Home for Incurables. Later: in the Church; preached, confirmed 22, and addressed them.
- " 15. P. M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 17. Ember Day, A. M.: St. Luke's, Linden, ordained to the Priesthood the Rev. Thomas L. Fisher, the faithful minister under whom the beautiful Church was built, preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 19. Ember Day, A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston, first meeting with the Clergy; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 21. Fourth Sunday in Advent and St. Thomas, A. M.: Christ Church, Cambridge, preached, confirmed 22 (1 being for Trinity, Boston), and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. John the Evangelist's, Boston, preached, confirmed 30, and addressed them.
- " 22. P. M.: Ascension, Cambridge; confirmed 1 in private.
- " 25. St. Stephen, P. M.: Boston; Committee from a Mission.
- " 28. Sunday after Christmas and the Innocents, A. M.: Christ Church, Hyde Park, preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them. P. M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. John's, East Boston; preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 29. P. M.: Chapel of the Church Home for Orphans, South Boston, preached to the children.
- " 31. P. M.: Boston, Committee from a vacant Parish. Later: Conference of the Episcopal City Mission Committee and the Vestry of St. Matthew's, South Boston.
- 1895.
- Jan. 1. The Circumcision, A. M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 3. A. M.: Trinity, Concord, consecrated the new and beautiful stone Church; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 4. Second Sunday after Christmas, A. M.: Emmanuel, Wakefield; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion; the Parish is supplied by a Lay Reader. Evening: Advent, Boston; preached, confirmed 28, and addressed them.
- " 6. Epiphany, A. M.: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 7. A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; second service for Christian Women; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: presided at the Annual Meeting of the National Divorce Reform League.
- " 8. A. M.: Christ Church, Medway, consecrated the Church (now, through the great generosity of friends, cleared of debt), preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- " 11. First Sunday after Epiphany, A. M.: St. Anne's, Dorchester; preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them. P. M.: St. Mary's, Dorchester; preached.
- " 15. P. M.: Boston, Executive Committee of the Church Temperance Society.
- " 16. P. M.: Boston, Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 18. Second Sunday after Epiphany, A. M.: St. James's, North Cambridge, preached, confirmed 15 (1 being for Christ Church, Cambridge), and addressed them. Evening: St. Luke's, Chelsea, confirmed 1 in private, and 16 in the Church, preached, and addressed them.

- Jan.** 20. P. M.: St. James's, North Cambridge, Parish House; attended and addressed a social meeting of the Eastern Convocation.
- " 21. Evening: Christ Church, Cambridge; Centennial Diocesan Commemoration by the Eastern Convocation, Bishop Perry preaching the sermon. Bishop Neely also honored the occasion by his presence.
- " 23. Evening: Good Shepherd, Boston; preached, confirmed 24 (2 being for the Church of the Advent, Boston), and addressed them.
- " 25. Third Sunday after Epiphany and Conversion of St. Paul, A. M.: St. Paul's, Dedham; preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them. Evening: Grace, South Boston; preached, confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 26. Noon: Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School. Evening: Mission, Watertown; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 28. Evening: in Swampscott; confirmed 2 in private, for St. Stephen's Memorial, Lynn; in the Church, confirmed 15, preached, and addressed them.
- " 29. P. M.: Boston; Executive Committee of the Church Temperance Society. Evening: St. John's, Jamaica Plain; preached, confirmed 12 (1 being for St. John the Evangelist's, Boston), and addressed them.
- " 31. A. M.: All Saints', Dorchester; service and sermon for the Deaconesses; celebrated the Holy Communion.
- Feb.** 1. Septuagesima, A. M.: St. Peter's, Salem; preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: Grace, Salem; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 3. A. M.; St. Paul's, Boston; celebrated the Holy Communion with the Southern Convocation; afterwards accepted the gracious hospitality of the Vestry at a social meeting and luncheon.
- " 4. A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; third meeting with the Christian Women; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 6. Evening: Trinity, Melrose; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 8. Sexagesima, A. M.: Chapel of Wellesley College; full service and sermon. Evening: St. Paul's, Natick; preached, confirmed 7 (1 being for the South Framingham Mission), and addressed them. In the presence of the Rector and the Rev. John S. Beers, deposed from the Ministry George Rogers Wheelock, for causes not affecting his moral character.
- " 12. Evening: The Reconciliation, Webster; preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 13. Evening: Christ Church, Rochdale; preached.
- " 14. A. M.: St. Thomas's, Cherry Valley; consecrated the new Church, a grand step forward; celebrated the Holy Communion. Dr. Huntington, of Grace Church, New York, kindly preached, to the great joy of a host of his Worcester friends. Evening: in the same Church; I preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them; and later, I confirmed 1 in private.
- " 15. Quinquagesima, A. M.: St. Matthew's, Worcester; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them. P. M.: in the new St. John's; I preached, confirmed 30, and addressed them. Evening: All Saints', Worcester; preached, confirmed 18, and addressed them.
- " 16. P. M.: Boston; opened, and presided at, the meeting of the National Divorce Reform League.
- " 17. A. M.: Took part in the exercises of a "Quiet Day for the Clergy," in St. James's, North Cambridge, celebrating the Holy Communion, and making an exhortation. Bishop Whitaker rendered welcome aid at the meeting.
- " 18. Ash Wednesday, evening: St. John's, Arlington; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 21. Evening: All Saints', Chelmsford; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.

- Feb. 22. First Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. Anne's, Lowell; preached, confirmed 24, and addressed them. P. M.: St. John's; preached, confirmed 19, and addressed them. Evening. House of Prayer, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 23. A. M.: Boston; conference of Executive Committee of the Church Temperance Society with Rectors and delegates.
- " 24. St. Matthew, P. M.: Boston, Executive Committee of Episcopal City Mission.
- " 25. Evening: Christ Church, Andover; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 26. Evening. St. James's Chapel, West Somerville; preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them.
- " 27. A. M. St. Paul's, Boston, second meeting with the Clergy, sermon and Holy Communion. P. M.: Executive Committee of the Church Temperance Society.
- March 1. Second Sunday in Lent, A. M.: St. John's Memorial, Cambridge, preached, confirmed 9, and addressed them, celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M. catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening. The Evangelists', Boston, preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them, also briefly addressed the people on Diocesan Missions.
- " 3. P. M. St. Luke's Home for Convalecents, Boston, preached.
- " 4. A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston, fourth meeting with Christian Women, sermon and Holy Communion.
- " 6. P. M. St. Mark's, Southborough; preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Framingham; preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them.
- " 7. A. M.: Groton School, Groton, visited the new Church School, and addressed the scholars. All seems full of promise in this grand enterprise. P. M. Public Hall, Groton, preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 8. Third Sunday in Lent, A. M.: Christ Church, Waltham, preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them. P. M. Trinity, Concord, preached.
- " 10. Evening. St. Matthew's, South Boston, preached, confirmed 14 (1 being for Grace, South Boston) and addressed them.
- " 11. Evening: St. Thomas's, Methuen; preached, confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 12. Evening: Good Shepherd, Dedham, preached, confirmed 14, and addressed them.
- " 15. Fourth Sunday in Lent, A. M.: Emmanuel, Boston; preached, confirmed 16 (1 being for St. James's, North Cambridge, and 1 for St. John the Evangelist's, Boston), and addressed them. Evening: St. John's, Charlestown, preached, confirmed 19, and addressed them.
- " 19. Evening. Mission, Canton; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 20. Evening. St. James's, Roxbury, preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 22. Fifth Sunday in Lent, A. M.: Ascension, Waltham; preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them. Evening: Messiah, Boston, preached, confirmed 16 (1 being for the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston), and addressed them.
- " 25. The Annunciation, evening. St. John's, Boston Highlands; preached, confirmed 22 (2 being for St. John the Evangelist's, Boston), and addressed them.
- " 26. Evening. Trinity, Boston, preached, confirmed 61 (3 being for the Church of the Advent, and 2 from the Evangelists', Boston), and addressed them.
- " 27. Evening. St. Paul's, Boston; preached, confirmed 15, and addressed them.
- " 29. Sunday before Easter, A. M.: Our Saviour, Longwood; preached, confirmed 5, and addressed them. P. M.: St. Paul's, Brookline; preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them.

- March 31.** Tuesday before Easter, evening: St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- April 1.** Wednesday before Easter, evening: St. Peter's, Cambridge; preached, confirmed 11, and addressed them.
- " 2. Thursday before Easter, P. M.: Trinity, Woburn; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them.
- " 3. Good Friday, evening: Christ Church, Boston; preached, confirmed 18, and addressed them.
- " 5. Easter Day, A. M.: St. Thomas's, Somerville; preached, confirmed 21, and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: Emmanuel, Somerville; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 12. First Sunday after Easter, A. M.: St. James's, Amesbury; preached, confirmed 2, and addressed them; made a brief address on Diocesan Missions. P. M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. Evening: St. Paul's, Newburyport; preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them.
- " 13. Boston; Executive Committee of the Episcopal City Mission.
- " 14. P. M.: Boston; Diocesan Board of Missions.
- " 15. P. M.: Boston; Committee from a Parish. Evening: St. John's, Taunton; preached, confirmed 12, and addressed them.
- " 16. A. M.: St. Thomas's, Taunton; confirmed 1 in private. Evening: preached, confirmed 13, and addressed them.
- " 18. Evening: St. James's, South Groveland; preached, confirmed 7, and addressed them. Later: confirmed 1 in private.
- " 19. Second Sunday after Easter, A. M.: Trinity, Haverhill; preached, confirmed 6, and addressed them. P. M.: catechised and addressed the Sunday School. P. M.: St. John the Evangelist's, Haverhill; preached, confirmed 3, and addressed them.
- " 21. Evening: St. Paul's, Malden; Nineteenth Semi-Annual Diocesan Missionary Meeting; confirmed 1.
- " 22. A. M.: St. Paul's, Malden; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: Sunday School Meeting; made an address. Evening: final Missionary Meeting.
- " 24. Evening: Christ Church, Fitchburg; preached, and confirmed 1.
- " 25. A. M.: In Hudson; confirmed a sick person presented by the General Missionary. P. M.: St. Mark's, School, Southborough; Annual Meeting of the Trustees.
- " 26. Third Sunday after Easter, A. M.: Trinity, Milford; preached, confirmed 8, and addressed them. P. M.: Christ Church, Medway; preached. Later: confirmed 1 in private.
- " 27. A. M.: St. Paul's, Hopkinton; confirmed 1 in private, presented by the General Missionary, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Evening: St. John's, Millville; preached, confirmed 10, and addressed them.
- " 28. Evening: St. Mark's, Boston; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them.
- " 29. A. M.: St. Paul's, Boston; celebrated the Holy Communion for the General Conference of the Girls' Friendly Society.
- " 30. Evening: Christ Church, Plymouth; took the entire service, and preached, the Parish having just fallen vacant. Afterwards held a conference with a Committee of the Parish.
- May 2.** Fourth Sunday after Easter, A. M.: Grace, Medford; preached, confirmed 10 (1 being for St. John the Evangelist's, Boston), and addressed them; celebrated the Holy Communion. P. M.: Epiphany, Winchester; preached, confirmed 4, and addressed them; also addressed the congregation in congratulation of their completion of the beautiful new Church "by the River side." After service, met the Committee for conference.
- " 4. A. M.: Boston; Visitors of the Episcopal Theological School.

- May 5. A. M.: Boston; Directors of the Episcopal Clerical Fund, afterwards Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the same Society, later Officers and Trustees of the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans. P. M.: Annual Meeting of the Society. P. M.: Christ Church, Boston, First Meeting in the Commemoration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Convention of the Diocese; Evening Prayer, assisted by several of the Clergy; the Rev. Dr. Courtney delivered the Discourse on "The History of the English Church in the Colony or Province of Massachusetts Bay." Evening. St. Paul's, Boston; after a brief service, George C. Shattuck, M. D., delivered a Discourse on "The First Three Bishops of Massachusetts." The occasion was full of interest.
- " 6. A. M.: Trinity, Boston, the opening of the Ninety-Fifth Annual Convention of the Diocese, on which occasion I completed the Centennial Commemoration by delivering a Discourse on "The First Century of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Massachusetts."

On motion of Mr. THOMAS MAIR, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to Grace Church, Chelmsford, be referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

Mr. JOHN S. BLATCHFORD presented the Annual Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions, the Rev. JOHN S. BEERS reading that portion giving his Annual Report as General Missionary of the Diocese.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR 1884-85.

The past year, the eleventh since the organization of the Board in 1874, has been in some respects the most interesting in its history. It has been that of its greatest apparent difficulty and discouragement, and of its most signal blessing. The debt of \$1,904.01 with which the Board closed its work the preceding year was a heavy burden with which to begin a new year. It was the occasion for the issue of a Pastoral Letter by the Bishop in June, in response to which something more than the amount of the debt was contributed by special offerings for the purpose.

This difficulty thus happily removed, other exceptional conditions were encountered, which have made the year one of peculiar difficulty and solicitude. Owing to the failure of timely and efficient action on the part of the last Convention, the Board was left without the usual pledges of the parishes, and without the substitute of an additional annual offering which had been recommended in its report to the Convention. The publication of "The Diocese" was suspended, from motives of economy, and this means of communicating with the Diocese concerning its missionary work and needs was thus lost. And finally there has been the prevailing depression of all business interests, more or less seriously affecting the ordinary resources of all forms of religious and charitable work.

The effect of these several combined unfavorable conditions was so seriously felt that in February, three months since, the expenditure of the Board was nearly \$4,600 more than its receipts, and the large, and as it then seemed almost impossible, sum of \$7,000 was required to discharge the obligations of the year. A second Pastoral Letter was issued by the Bishop, and a special issue of "The Diocese" was sent out

containing the Pastoral Letter and a clear statement of the needs of the work; and to-day the Board is able, with deep thankfulness, to report to the Convention, without debt, its obligations for the year fully discharged, and with a small balance in its treasury to the account of the new year.

This result has been accomplished by no exceptional gifts, but by a steady and gently swelling increase of the ordinary gifts and especially of the Parish offerings, which have been \$1,849.04 more than in any previous year.

The following is a brief summary of the receipts and expenditure for the year:—

The total receipts for the year have been \$12,945.18, from the following sources:—

From Parish offerings	\$10,587 52
Individual and special gifts	2,357 66

Total receipts for the year	\$12,945 18
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The total expenditure for the year has been \$12,796.12, for the following purposes:—

Extinguishment of debt of 1883-84	\$1,904 01
Stipends to parishes and missions	8,240 39
Work of the General Missionary	1,900 00
Publication and distribution of "The Diocese"	135 81
Printing	69 26
Secretary's expense account, two years	7 50
Treasurer's expense account	93 00
Expense of Missionary Meetings	8 65
Special gifts to parishes and missions through the treasury of the Board	437 50

Total expenditure for the year	\$12,796 12
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Balance to the account of the new year	149 06
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One hundred and twenty-nine parishes and missions have contributed two hundred and eighty-three offerings to the treasury of the Board, and a total sum of \$10,587.52, which, as compared with the previous year, is a gain of fourteen in the number of contributing parishes and missions, of sixty-three in the number of offerings, and of \$1,849.04 in the amount of offerings.

The work of the Board has been maintained with efficiency. Much new work has been developed, without increase of cost to the treasury of the Board, through the untiring and sagacious labor of the General Missionary, whose report to the Board presents some of the most interesting details of the year's work.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MISSIONARY.

TO THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS:

During the past year I have revisited, once or more, about sixty-five towns or villages, and have visited for the first time about twenty. I have also ascertained by inquiry concerning many more, and thus largely reduced the territory yet to be explored. Many new families have been found and enrolled. In revisiting I have found numerous changes, owing in most cases to the depressed condition of business, chiefly in manufacturing villages.

It has not seemed expedient or safe to begin much new work, and accordingly none has been commenced which required the present pecuniary help of the Board. No doubt time has thus been lost, and perhaps opportunity, but every member of the Board will see that this course was necessary.

I have held 94 services in 34 places, and have assisted at 20 other services. I have also arranged for the holding of many services at mission stations by clergymen or lay readers. On four occasions I have by invitation given addresses relating to the missionary work of the Board, one of which, at Newburyport, was followed by a liberal offering.

I have celebrated the Holy Communion 27 times in public and 4 times in private; have baptized 1 adult and 34 infants; have presented 2 persons for Confirmation and 2 others were confirmed at a parish visitation making the total number 5. I have also solemnized 2 marriages. Several persons whom I had enrolled have died during the year. Four of these in as many different towns received their last earthly Communion at the services which I held.

My official journeys have covered 16,000 miles and not less than 200 visits have been made.

Since the middle of last August services have been held on alternate Sunday evenings in Hopkinton, and have been largely attended. The Rev. Waldo Burnitt of Southborough has kindly officiated several times and the Rev. J. B. Wicks of Milford once. On the other occasions I have officiated taking usually another place the same day, or have arranged for clerical or lay supplies. This movement towards reviving this ancient Parish proceeded from some of our people there, and a few of them have labored earnestly while we have had the valuable aid of an excellent choir. The principal difficulty is the financial one. The offerings have thus far been small, but this is attributed by those interested to the hard times, and not to lack of interest or of liberality on the part of the people. It is to be hoped that there will be increased offerings, which will make permanent a work which in other aspects is encouraging.

In October of last year I spent three Sundays in Fiskdale in the hope that services there might be resumed, as only so can work be carried on in Southbridge, an important town five miles distant. There seemed to me to be no reason why a plan involving the union of the two places should not be carried out, but matters at Fiskdale as they were.

I continue to feel great interest in Ware and hope that this year the long suspended services will be resumed. We have so many people there that a quiet and persevering effort would there be reason to believe be successful.

Marlborough, I rejoice to say, is to have services once more. The Rev. Mr. Bennett took the place under his charge soon after he went to Southbridge, and he is about to have a hall fitted up for a chapel. He is to officiate in the town every other Sunday evening beginning May 10th.

In Beaufort, a seaside place in the town of Ixterre, I have officiated thrice. The village has now a considerable number of permanent residents, and a determination is expressed to secure the holding of services on Sunday mornings.

Not to speak further of the several places where I have officiated occasionally, at a single time I pass on to give briefly the history of four undertakings where the initial services were held by me, and where they are now apparently permanently established or re-established.

In the beginning of 1883 the Rev. Mr. Bennett and I held a service in Mattapan, which place he had called to my notice. It was followed by other services, and I also visited all the families that could be found. It soon became evident that there was interest enough to warrant the continuance of work, and with the full concurrence of the Rev. Mr. Bennett and myself the Rev. Mr. Magill took the place under his charge. Shortly after a generous and after careful observation and conference with the Bishop and the clergy who had wrought there, became convinced of the promise for good which existed, and purchased a valuable lot in the centre of the place upon which she is erecting a beautiful and unique stone Memorial Church to be called The Church of the Holy Spirit, the corner stone of which was laid by the Bishop a few months since in the presence of a large assemblage of the clergy and laity. My work there was slight and brief, and not reported last year, because what has now been told was not then assured, but it is a pleasure to have done anything to lead to so gratifying a result.

Just before Lent, 1883, I held a service in a private house in Saugus, a village near Lynn. The assembling thus of many of our people had the effect of showing them that a considerable congregation might be gathered and making them see how pleasant it would be to have services held in the village. A modest beginning was made soon after by the establishment of a Sunday School, and at my next visit, a few months later, I was agreeably surprised to find a well organized and well taught school of about forty scholars. I visited them occasionally and officiated administering the Holy Communion and Baptism, and last summer the Rev. Mr. Fisher the minister at Lynn added to his heavy labors at home a Sunday afternoon service at Saugus, and such pastoral care as his time would allow. The congregation worshipped in an upper room over a carpenter's shop, and this the Rev. Mr. Fisher has recently fitted up tastefully for a chapel. Several acceptable gifts of church furniture, books, etc. have been made for this work. The Sunday School had for its first Superintendent Mr. Thomas Ashworth, a man of singular modesty and devotedness, whose Christian character had been tried and proved by sore bereavement. In January last he was called from the scene of his earthly labors by a short and painful illness, which terminated in a few days his useful life. His good example and his peaceful death have made a deep impression upon the congregation of St. John's Mission, and the work is flourishing under the charge of the Rector and the present Superintendent, who is a member of St. Paul's, Malden. Several persons were confirmed by the Bishop at a recent visitation.

In Sandwich on the Cape St. John's Church had both a name and a local habitation thirty years ago, but after a brief time work was unfortunately discontin-

ued, and the Church building (which had been purchased from a society of seceders from the Congregationalist Society) was sold. In the fall of 1883 I held a service in the place, and subsequently others were held by the Rev. Mr. Gifford and myself, and so much interest was manifested and so much zeal and liberality shown, that the Bishop after a visit to the place deemed it wise to hold regular services, and at his suggestion the people united with the Wareham and Marion congregations in inviting the Rev. Charles R. Talbot to take charge of the three missions. He continued there from July to November, when he withdrew and it was feared that it would be necessary to suspend services, or hold them only at long intervals. But happily the Rev. John A. Bevington was ready to return to the Diocese, and being asked to take charge of Wareham and Sandwich, he accepted and began work in January. He officiates in each place every Sunday, though they are thirteen miles apart. An upper room has been neatly fitted up, in part through the kindness of friends, and there is a steady congregation and a good Sunday School. I had the pleasure of holding Christmas evening services there and giving to the scholars, from a Christmas tree, presents kindly provided for them by friends in a distant part of the Diocese. The offerings continue to be unusually large in proportion to the numbers present, and the people evidently *love* the worship.

The fourth place where services have been established is Chicopee, in Hampden County. For more than twenty years Grace Church had been a disgrace to the town and the Church. Once consecrated, it had by a succession of unfortunate circumstances passed out of our hands, and was used as a storehouse for rubbish. This was once a pretty Gothic structure, and was in the centre of the village. Fortunately, spring it was again sold, and was to be altered over into tenement houses, though it last December the Rev. Mr. Brooks, of Springfield, and I conferred concerning the possibility of reviving work in Chicopee, and in January he held an experimental service at a private house, which was so encouraging in the attendance and the disposition manifested, that by his request I went on and canvassed the place, and we held further services. There were found over fifty communicants in nearly as many families, and over one hundred and fifty baptized persons. The services have been continued, held usually by a student lay reader, Mr. D. D. Addison, of Cambridge, and have been so well attended that, by the unanimous approval of the Bishop and the Board, they have been made permanent, and with the assistance of many kind givers, the valuable property has been re-acquired and the Church is being repaired and somewhat enlarged. It is hoped that it may be in all respects ready for consecration May 23d.

It will be noticed that much of the work of the year has been that of re-occupation, —again planting the Church in places formerly abandoned. We had once a Church building in Mattapan, now owned by the Methodists, and under the circumstances not begrudged to them; one in Sandwich, now a stove store, but substituted by the neat temporary chapel; one in Chicopee (the only consecrated one of the three), completely rescued. It is a great point gained that in each case the outward disgrace has been removed, even if that were all. But when we consider that this is the smallest part of the success, and that the revived Churches mean revived and continued work, perhaps for all the future, and thus blessings to this generation and to generations to come, our estimate of the magnitude and importance of what has been wrought will be greatly increased. We should feel, also, that *wherever* our Church really had an existence, it is our duty to try to revive it. "For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch will not cease."

I hope that it will be possible to commence work in new and promising places during the next year, but it will not be wise to do this in any case unless we are sure that we shall not be compelled to abandon the effort before success is won.

A plan which has been suggested by a member of the Board is a very wise one.—that of having rooms hired and fitted up for services in places where they are held occasionally, but where we cannot yet erect churches. This would in many cases lead to their becoming permanent.—so much more impressive and attractive are they when there are suitable surroundings.

I rejoice that so much has been done during the past year in providing for the preaching of the gospel to the *poor*. While some of our members express doubts as to the adaptability of the Church and her services to all classes of persons, I often hear with pleasure the remark made, that our Church is the most faithful of all in looking up her members and in ministering to the poor. May she well deserve this praise,—and glory be to God in whose name this beneficent work is done!

I desire here to acknowledge the help given me by correspondents throughout the Diocese, who have kindly written me of the arrival or departure of families, or of some need of my services which existed. Their aid has been very valuable. Also, I thank those who have given me reading matter for distribution, or have in other ways aided poor missions.

And, as each year before, I acknowledge with pleasure the cordial confidence of the Bishop and the Board, to whom I have fully reported, and without whose advice and countenance I have done nothing; the good-will and ready assistance of my clerical brethren as there has been occasion to give them, and the frequent hospitality of many in the Diocese whom I have visited.

Very respectfully,

JOHN S. BEERS, *General Missionary.*

The experience of the year has shown clearly and strikingly that the resources of the Diocese are undoubtedly sufficient for the adequate support of its missionary work. The aggregate of parish offerings has been larger than in any previous year, under the pressure of an unusual need, the occasion and urgency of which has been communicated to the Diocese by the two Pastoral Letters. This considerable increase of parish offerings has also been made in a time of unusual business depression, when parishes and individuals would most feel the burden of unusual calls and perhaps feel least disposed to respond to them. And yet the response has been ready, cheerful and adequate. In no case, probably, has it imposed undue burden or effort upon any parish, or occasioned detriment to any other important interest. It has doubtless in some cases involved strenuous effort, but the result affords deep satisfaction. The year's record of parish offerings shows instances of large increase in the amount of annual offerings which are conspicuous and encouraging examples of what an earnest interest and effort may accomplish in any parish.

In addition to this steady flow of increased parish offerings during the last three months, by which so unexpected and happy a result has been wrought for us, there have been many individual gifts that demand grateful acknowledgment, and especially among these there have come many small gifts to our treasury that have brought with them the evidence of self-sacrifice, and with them it cannot be doubted, has come some thing of the great blessing we have received. They have come from the isolated church people scattered throughout the Diocese, remote from parishes and church privileges, who have been sought out by the General Missionary and, by his continued thoughtfulness and his ministrations to them, are happily assured of the Church's care of them. The aggregate of these individual gifts amounted to more than the entire cost of the special issue of "The Diocese" in February, which made known our needs, and which afforded such evidence of the value of the paper as a means of communicating information and exciting interest throughout the Diocese in the work of the Board, that it has been decided to resume its publication.

Notwithstanding the unusual difficulties of the year, the work of the Board is shown not only to have been maintained with unimpaired efficiency, but a larger amount of work, including much new work of an important character, has been done, with no increase, but, on the contrary, with a slight reduction of expenditure as compared with the previous year, than in any former year. The aggregate of parish offerings has been increased nearly \$2,000 without undue burden or effort, — probably without any sense of burden, — clearly showing that the resources of the Diocese are abundantly sufficient for the adequate support of its missionary work; and this result, under God's blessing, has been due to the plain and earnest setting forth to the parishes of the needs of the work, and their responsibility and duty with reference to it, by the Bishop in his Pastoral Letters.

It is clearly apparent that this most important work of the Diocese has reached a certain vantage ground that it has never before occupied. How to maintain and strengthen it in its new position is now the important matter. Nothing less than this is due in grateful recognition of the great and abundant blessing that has been granted to us the past year.

Clearly there is needed, and there must be, a more systematic, earnest, and effective effort to instruct the parishes concerning the work, and their responsibility and duty and privilege with reference to it. That this may be done by simple and effective methods, and *ought* to be done without the admonition of Pastoral Letters, there is no doubt. It may well be considered whether it is not practicable to secure by some systematic plan, either through the Convocations or otherwise, the holding of a missionary meeting once a year in every parish in the Diocese, with effective means for communicating information concerning its missionary work, and creating an increased interest and effort and sense of duty for its adequate support.

The gratitude and encouragement with which we enter upon another year finds its proper expression in an earnest and unfaltering purpose that, God helping us, what

has been gained during these last few months shall not be lost through any indifference or neglect of duty, and that at least as much faithful effort shall be made the ensuing year as in the last. The Board therefore closes its report with the recommendation that the Convention pledge to the Diocesan Board of Missions by the clergy and lay delegates here assembled that every minister, parish, and mission will do its utmost to secure offerings for the support of the missionary work of the Diocese the ensuing year, *not less in amount than that contributed the past year.*

On motion of Mr. EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M. D.,

Resolved, That the Report of the Diocesan Board of Missions be accepted, and the Recommendation with which it closes be adopted.

[For the Annual Account of the Treasurer, see Appendix B.]

The Rev. JAMES P. FRANKS, from the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, made the following report:—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, having examined the papers submitted by St. John's Church, Fall River, recommend the admission of said Parish into union with this Convention.

J. P. FRANKS, *Chairman.*

On motion, St. John's Church, Fall River, was admitted into union with the Convention.

The SECRETARY having called the names of the Lay Delegates from this Parish as follows:—

Mr. OLIVER H. P. HOWARD.
Mr. NATHAN CRABTREE.

Mr. Oliver H. P. Howard appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS, from the Eastern Convocation, made the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE EASTERN CONVOCATION.

The Eastern Convocation respectfully reports as follows:—

Meetings have been held at the Memorial Church of the Ascension, Ipswich; St. Luke's Church, Chelsea; St. James's Church, Cambridge; and a special meeting at the Church Rooms, Boston.

The service at Cambridge, deserving of itself special mention, was made memorable by the Centennial service with which it closed. This was held in Christ Church, Cambridge, and the discourse delivered by the Bishop of Iowa.

By vote of Convocation, the sermon was requested for publication, and has been widely distributed in the Diocese, and elsewhere.

The sudden death of the Rev. Dr. Leeds has been fitly noticed by a minute entered upon the records, recalling his connection with the Convocation as Secretary, and his constant interest in its work.

At the Annual Meeting, held on Monday, May 4th, the following officers were elected:—

Dean, the Rev. George Z. Gray, D. D.; *Vice-Dean*, the Rev. George W. Shinn, D. D.; *Treasurer*, the Rev. H. A. Metcalf; *Secretary*, the Rev. William G. Wells.

The Rev. George Z. Gray, D. D., and Mr. Charles G. Saunders, were chosen to represent Convocation in the Board of Missions.

WILLIAM G. WELLS, *Secretary*.
NEWTON LOWER FALLS, May 5, 1885.

The Rev. GEORGE S. PAINE, from the Central Convocation, made the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL CONVOCAATION.

The Secretary respectfully presents the following report for the last Conventional Year:—

There have been three meetings of the Convocation during the year.—In June, at St. John's Church, Wilkesonville, in November, at St. Matthew's Church, Worcester; and in February, at All Saints' Church, Worcester.

Owing to the acceptance of the Rev. Emelius W. Smith of the rectorship of the Church of the Ascension, Fall River, and consequent removal from the limits of the Convocation, the office of Dean is vacant.

The most interesting events in the history of this Convocation for the past year have been the erection, and substantial completion, of the two new Churches of St. John the Evangelist, Worcester, and St. Thomas, Cherry Valley, to each of which the sum of fifty dollars has been presented as a gift from the treasury of this Convocation.

In addition to the gift of fifty dollars to the parish of St. Thomas, Cherry Valley, by a special vote of the Convocation, the collection taken at the evening session of the Convocation at its last meeting at All Saints' Church, Worcester, was bestowed upon the same parish. The collection amounted to fifty dollars and sixty cents.

In the reports of their respective Ministers will be found appropriate notices of the Consecration and other Services connected with these new Churches, and also a due notice of the building of a new Church at Gardner.

With three exceptions only, every parish within the limits of this Convocation has become vacant within the last eighteen months. New elections have, however, in most cases been made to the Rectorships.

The subject of enlarging the territorial limits of this Convocation has been indefinitely postponed.

OFFICERS. *President ex-officio*, the Bishop of the Diocese; *Dean*, ———; *Secretary and Treasurer*, the Rev. George Sturgis Paine; *Delegates to the Board of Missions*, the Rev. Thomas W. Nickerson, Mr. Matthew J. Whittall.

GEORGE STURGIS PAINE, *Secretary*.

WORCESTER, May 5, 1885.

The Rev. ARTHUR M. BACKUS, from the Southern Convocation, made the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CONVOCAATION.

The Southern Convocation respectfully reports as follows:—

Five sessions of the Convocation have been held this year—at Hingham, Plymouth, the Church Rooms, St. Paul's, Boston, and Trinity, Boston. A decided advance has been made in usefulness, by adapting the Convocation to small parishes and to mission stations, without overburdening them. This change serves a double purpose—that of carrying the influence of Convocation to weak and isolated points of Church interest, and that of giving aid and impetus to missionary enterprise. It is felt that excellent results will be early indicated.

The following officers have been elected for the coming year:—

Dean, the Rev. Charles H. Learoyd; *Secretary and Treasurer*, the Rev. Arthur M. Backus; *Members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation: Clerical*, the Rev. Reginald H. Howe, *Lay*, Mr. Samuel G. Snelling.

ARTHUR M. BACKUS, *Secretary*.

DEDHAM, May 1, 1885.

The SECRETARY presented the Report of the Committee on Printing, which, on motion, was accepted.

The Report is as follows:—

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

The Committee on Printing presents to the Convention its Report for the Conventional year 1884-'85.

The Committee has been mindful of its duty to guard against all expense that could be avoided, consistently with what it regarded as the efficient discharge of the duties committed to its trust. The total cost of printing during the past year was \$999.40, as follows:—

2500 copies of the Journal of Convention	\$782 90
Binding 30 copies in cloth	9 00
750 copies of the Registrar's Report	35 00
1500 copies of the Bishop's Address	50 00
100 copies of the same, for his disposal	8 00
1000 copies of the Constitution and Canons	37 00
Composition and Plate Alterations	7 25
Binding 30 copies in cloth	7 50
1000 Large Manila envelopes	8 00
Pasting labels on 700 envelopes	1 00
Printing labels on 300 envelopes	1 50
300 Long wrappers, and printing	4 00
Wrapping, mailing, cases, etc.	10 50
700 Labels, 3 kinds	4 50
200 Envelopes, and printing "The Secretary"	3 00
225 Envelopes, and printing "The Reverend"	3 50
250 half-note Circulars, Notice to Clergy of the Meeting of the Convention	3 00
200 half-letter Circulars, Notice to Church-Wardens of the Meeting of the Convention	5 25
100 Personal Clerical Reports	4 50
200 Blanks, 2 sides, Certificates of Lay Delegates	4 50
200 half-note Circulars, Enquiring number of Journals wanted	2 50
200 Postal Cards, and printing, Giving number of Journals wanted	4 00
600 Ballots for Standing Committee	3 00
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All the printing was done by the Franklin Press, Rand, Avery & Co., Boston, and was excellent in quality and reasonable in price. The cost of the Journal, containing the equivalent of 254 pages, a substantial pamphlet of good paper, well printed from clear type, with a stout cover, was thirty-one and one-third cents.

The cost of this Journal was proportionately precisely the same as that of the previous year; the increased expense was caused by the additional number of pages—32—and the additional number of copies—500.

With regard to the increase in the number of copies, it was thought that, judging by the prospective demands of the year, the number of the previous year—2000—would be insufficient. As indicating that the number printed was neither extravagant nor wasteful, it may be stated that the Convention of the Diocese of New Hampshire, having but about one-fifth of the number of Clergy and of Parishes and Missions belonging to the Diocese of Massachusetts, ordered the printing of 1000 copies of its Journal for last year.

After supplying the number of copies required for the use of the members of the Convention, during the present session, there will remain but a small supply to meet the demands of the future.

That there may be neither lack nor excess in the number printed of the Journal of this meeting of the Convention, a circular was sent to the authorities of the several Parishes, requesting them to state on a Postal Card, sent with the circular, the number of copies desired for distribution in the same.

It is thought that by means of this information, the approximate number of copies required for this purpose can be ascertained, as, besides the copies needed for the Clergy, Lay Delegates, and Parishes, a large number is required to supply officers of the Diocese, Candidates for Holy Orders, and others in the same, the Bishops, Secretaries and Registrars of the other Dioceses, Theological and other Libraries, Church Institutions and Periodicals, Clergymen newly added to the Diocese, the members of this body at its next session, it cannot, at this time, be determined how many copies will be wanted, the Committee respectfully ask that the decision as to the number be left with its members, who will use all possible economy compatible with sufficiency.

In the distribution of the Journal of last year, a change was made, which so far as the Committee has learned, gave very great satisfaction.

The copies for the Clergy and the Lay Delegates, instead of being sent by express, as heretofore, in the general packages for the several Parishes, were sent by mail to each one of these persons separately.

This new method added to the duties of the Secretary the care and labor attending the making up and sending out of the extra packages, and to the expenses of the Convention the sum of \$30.32.

The principal reason for making this change was that, as the Journal was distributed at a season of the year when many of the Clergy were absent from their Parishes, on their annual vacations, in these cases the packages, being addressed to them, probably remaining unopened until their return, it seemed very desirable that the official representatives of the several Parishes in this body should receive the record of its proceedings without delay,—possibly a protracted one.

Should the Convention deem the advantage of this new method not sufficient to warrant the additional expense, the Committee ask that it be instructed to confine itself to the old method of distribution.

Of the 1000 copies of the Constitution and Canons, printed last year, but very few remain on hand.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. HENRY BROOKS,

LEANDER C. MANCHESTER,

Committee.

Boston, May 6, A. D., 1885.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROLD, Treasurer of the Convention, presented his Annual Report, which was referred to the Committee on Finance. [For this Report, see Appendix B.]

The Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER, Registrar of the Diocese, presented his Annual Report, which, on motion, was accepted.

The Report is as follows:—

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

DURING the hundred years which have just elapsed, very little historical material, beyond the simple records of the Diocese, has found its way into the archives. Our wants are consequently numerous; they reach out in every direction, and cover a broad field. It seemed expedient, therefore, to make it our chief aim during the year to secure that class of historical matter, which is of the first importance and which will be more difficult to obtain as years go by. Our attention has, therefore, been especially directed to the completion of our series of the Journals of the Annual Conventions in all the Dioceses in the United States. These contain the history of the Church, in the form of annals, from the organization of each Diocese down to the present time. Very few of these Journals, of a date earlier than that of 1850, were in the possession of the Registrar at the beginning of the year. The whole number in the archives, mostly of recent dates, was at that time 689. There have been added during the year 935, making the present total number 1624. We have beside these, 367 duplicates, which will be useful for exchange. In twenty-two Dioceses the series has been completed during the year. The major part of these, however, are of Dioceses more recently formed. In the New England States the several series are nearly complete. Of the Diocesan Journals of Connecticut, of Rhode Island, and of Maine, not one is lacking. Of those of New Hampshire but one is wanting, and only five of those of the Diocese of Vermont. In the older Dioceses, outside of New England, our series is wanting in many of the earlier Journals. No complete series of the Journal of all the Dioceses exists anywhere, so far as our knowledge extends. But it is obvious that in the metropolis of New England an unbroken series of these annual statements of the condition of the Church in all the Dioceses, from the beginning to the present time, would be of inexpressible value to the historian of the Church. No effort, therefore, should be spared to make our present collection, already well advanced, as full as it can be made.

Other sources of historical information to which attention has been given are the early magazines and periodicals of the Church. Our local ecclesiastical history which has come down to us is preserved largely in these publications. The establishment and building of churches, the informal meetings of the clergy, the doings of missionary associations, and the discussion of questions of local interest are spread out on their pages. The first serial under the auspices of our Church in Massachusetts was published at Newburyport. It was begun in July, 1820, and was entitled the "Churchman's Repository for the Eastern Diocese." The Rev. James Morss, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, in that town, was apparently its chief editor. After the issue of six numbers the name was changed to the "Gospel Advocate." When four numbers had been issued under that title its publication was removed to Boston, where it continued to be issued for six years. We need not say how valuable this publication is to the history of the Church, or how difficult it is, after the lapse of sixty years, to obtain a complete series of its monthly numbers. We are happy, however, to say, that after much disheartening correspondence and the repeated overhauling of the dusty rubbish in second-hand bookstores, the Diocese is now in possession of both of these publications from their beginning, handsomely and substantially bound, and, bating the calamity of fire, may well do good service for three hundred years.

In 1826, a similar publication, entitled the "Episcopal Register," was undertaken at Middlebury, Vt., and continued to be published for four years. It was the organ of the Bishop of the Eastern Diocese, of which the Diocese of Massachusetts was a part. This magazine is perhaps more difficult to obtain than the preceding, but I am happy, nevertheless, to say that our set is now complete, with the exception of a single number.

The "Banner of the Church," in form a small folio, was begun in Boston on the third of September, 1831, and ended on November 24, 1832. Twenty-nine numbers

are in the archives, and it is hoped that any fortunate possessor of the other numbers will kindly contribute them to complete our series.

The publication of the "Christian Witness and Church Advocate," a Church newspaper, was began in Boston, in 1835, and continued until 1872. For thirty-seven years the proceedings of the Church in Massachusetts are more or less fully recorded in its columns. A large number of its issues for this entire period are in the archives. It is hoped that the series may hereafter be made complete.

The "Episcopal Observer," a monthly publication, was begun in Boston in 1845. We have only the first volume.

Of the "Church Monthly," begun in Boston in 1861, we have an incomplete series for seven years. Any contributions towards completing the set will be very acceptable.

For the last fifteen years the local events of the Church in Massachusetts, which have found their way into print, have appeared for the most part in the columns of the "Churchman," published in the City of New York. While it is important for historical purposes that the last fifteen volumes, at least, of this publication should be accessible to the student of our history, we regret to say that at present no part of it is in our archives.

It is obvious that all the serial publications, from their beginning to their discontinuance, which have been the organs of our Bishops or of our Clergy and Laity in Massachusetts, cannot fail to be a most useful and important part of our historical collections.

Of the occasional printed sermons by Clergymen of this Diocese, all of which are directly or indirectly historical, there were in the archives at the beginning of the present year 66, the accumulations of twenty-five years. We have added in the last twelve-month 128, making the whole number of this class at the present time 194.

Of pamphlets, including occasional discourses and brief treatises by Clergymen of our Church but not of this Diocese, there were at the beginning of the year 26. We have added 572, making the whole number of this class at the present time 598.

We have added two hundred and thirty-one sermons and pamphlets emanating from non-Episcopal churches and religious bodies in Massachusetts. These are mostly characteristic and typical of the organizations from which they come. They reveal their mode of dealing with religious truth, and present as it were dramatically, their government and discipline, together with the controversies which have arisen and died away among them during the last century. These publications portray certain phases of the history of the religious bodies by which we are surrounded, which cannot well be obtained from any other source.

To the six which were already in the archives, we have added one hundred bound volumes, relating directly or indirectly to the history of our Church, both in the Colonial period and in that of its more complete organization during the last hundred years. We have not space to give here even the titles of these volumes. Among them are, however, such works as Updike's History of the Narragansett Church, Anderson's Colonial Church, Hawkins's Historical Notices of the Church of England in the American Colonies, Wilberforce's History of the Protestant Episcopal Church in America, the controversial publications relating to the introduction of the Episcopate into America, by the Rev. East Apthorp, Dr. Jonathan Mayhew, Dr. Thomas B. Chandler, Archbishop Secker, and others, together with valuable Reports illustrative of the same subject, by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, issued during the first half of the last century.

There have been contributed to the archives during the year, engraved portraits of Bishop Bass, Bishop Parker, Bishop Griswold, and of several other Bishops of the Church. It is desirable to place in our collection, portraits, either in photograph or from steel plates, not only of all the Bishops of the Church, but of all the Clergy who are or have ever been connected with this Diocese.

We have received from the Rev. Nicholas Hoppin, D. D., numerous manuscript letters addressed to Bishop Parker, relating to then current events, before and after

the separation from England; from Mr. Stephen G. Deblois, ancient and valuable manuscript letters of Bishop Bass, Dr. Caner, and others; from Miss Maria M. Durant, correspondence of prominent Clergymen of a later date.

The Rev. Joseph Hooper, of Lebanon Springs, N. Y., has kindly presented to the Diocese, a manuscript sermon of the Rev. Gideon Bostwick, preached at Great Barrington, on the twenty-sixth of December, 1784, about three months after our first Convention was held, whose centennial we celebrate this year. This manuscript is a valuable memorial of our pioneer missionary in Western Massachusetts, and will be sacredly preserved.

To the donors of these early manuscripts the gratitude of the Diocese so richly due has been promptly and warmly tendered by the Registrar. We confidently hope that we may receive in the future large additions to these memorials of the past, in the form of letters, sermons, or personal memoranda. Their historical importance can hardly be overestimated.

The record of the official acts of the Rt. Rev. Alexander V. Griswold, D. D., Bishop of the Eastern Diocese, written by his own hand, covering a period of a little less than thirty-two years, is in our archives. A complete and comprehensive index to this volume has been made during the past year.

The papers of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, extending from 1820 to the present time, covering sixty-four years, consisting of two thousand three hundred and seventy-eight separate manuscripts, have been arranged in volumes. They fill thirteen folios which were constructed expressly for this purpose, the paper being made of Manila hemp, while the binding is in the best Turkey morocco. Under ordinary circumstances these volumes cannot fail to remain in good condition for several centuries.

A large collection of pamphlets relating to the Church, together with a set of the Journals of the General Conventions complete from their beginning to 1862, has been given to the Diocese by Miss Elizabeth S. Newton of Pittsfield. This collection belonged to her father, the Hon. Edward A. Newton, whose distinguished services in this Diocese and in the General Conventions, extending through nearly half a century, have become not an unimportant part of the history of the Church.

Miss Elizabeth P. Baury, of Newton Lower Falls, and her sister, Mrs. Dr. Jackson, of Boston, have presented a large number of pamphlets, many of them of great historical importance, collected by their father, the late Alfred L. Baury, D. D., for forty years a prominent presbyter of this Diocese.

Mrs. Henry Burroughs has enriched the archives, by the gift of a valuable collection of pamphlets and Journals of other Dioceses, collected by the late Henry Burroughs, D. D., of Boston, whose important services in this Diocese and in the General Conventions will long be remembered.

The Rev. Robert W. Harris, D. D., of Astoria, N. Y., gave to the Diocese twenty-five bound volumes of rare sermons and other pamphlets, collected by his father, the Rev. William Harris, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's Church, Marblehead, at the beginning of this century, and subsequently President of Columbia College in the City of New York.

It will not be practicable to mention in detail all the gifts that have been made to our archives during the past year. I cannot, however, refrain from adding that the Diocese is under great obligations to the following persons, who have made directly or indirectly important contributions to enrich and enlarge our historical collections: The Rev. Henry F. Allen, James S. Amory, Mrs. John F. Andrew, the American Antiquarian Society, Mrs. William Appleton; the Rev. C. M. Armstrong, of Salt Lake City, Utah; J. W. Bacot, Charleston, S. C.; Thomas Willing Balch, of Philadelphia, Pa.; the Rev. Alfred J. Barrow, of Bennington, Vt.; E. M. Barton, Mrs. James M. Beebe, Miss E. B. Beebe, E. Plerson Beebe, J. Arthur Beebe, Charles H. Bell, LL. D., of Exeter, N. H.; Mrs. G. N. Black; W. S. Bogart of Savannah, Ga.; Miss Borland; the Rev. Phillips Brooks, D. D., Martin Brimmer, Mrs. John A. Burnham, Miss Burnham, Thomas H. Canfield, of Burlington, Vermont; the Rev. A. St. John

Chambré, D. D.; the Rev. J. B. Cheshire, Jr., Charlotte, N. C.; Joseph W. Clark; the Rev. Joseph H. Clinch, D. D., J. Morton Clinch, the Rev. R. H. Cobbs, D. D., Greensboro', Ala.; Alexander Cochrane, Edward Codman, Mrs. T. Jefferson Coolidge, the Rev. George H. Cornell, of Laramie, Wyoming Terr., Edward R. Cogswell, M. D., William Cornwall, of Louisville, Kentucky; Mrs. John G. Cushing, F. Gordon Dexter, the Rev. Morgan Dix, D. D., of New York, the Rt. Rev. W. C. Doane, D. D., of Albany, N. Y., Mrs. James B. Dow, the Rev. T. & Drowne, D. D., of Garden City, N. Y., Robert M. Elgin, of Houston, Texas; Miss C. S. C. Elton, Mrs. Frances L. Flske, the Rev. Francis A. Foxcroft, Jonathan French, Wm. T. Glidden, the Rev. A. B. Goodrich, D. D., of Utica, N. Y.; the Rev. Samuel Hart, of Hartford, Conn.; the Rev. Wm. Lloyd Himes, of Wolfboro', N. H.; Miss Euphie Hooper, the Rev. Nicholas Hopkin, D. D., the Rev. C. L. Hutchins; Lemuel N. Ide, of Claremont, N. H., the Rev. Reuben Kidner; the Rev. T. R. Lambert, D. D., Amos A. Lawrence, the Rev. William Lawrence, the Rev. W. Leacock, of Napa, Cal.; George Lunt, the Rev. L. C. Manchester, the Rev. M. M. Moore, of Nashville, Tenn., Charles J. Morrill, Edward S. Moseley, the Rev. W. W. Newton, B. F. Nourse; the Rev. O. E. Ostenson, of Longmont, Col., Robert Treat Paloe, Jr., Charles H. Parker, the Rev. J. Milton Peck, Mrs. Papanti, the Rt. Rev. W. S. Perry, D. D., of Davenport, Iowa, Edward D. Peters, Mrs. Henry A. Rice, the Rt. Rev. C. F. Robertson, D. D., of St. Louis, Missouri, the Rev. J. W. Robins, D. D., of Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. B. S. Rotch; the Rev. W. J. Seabury, D. D., New York; J. M. Sears, Mrs. J. M. Sears, the Rev. John W. Saltwood, of E. Portland, Oregon; the Rev. G. W. Shinn, D. D., the Rev. Carlos Slatter; the Rev. Edmund F. Slatter; the Rev. James H. Smith, of Fond du Lac, Wis., Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, by the Secretary, the Rev. Henry W. Tucker, London, England; Miss A. G. Thayer, Trinity Church, Boston, Wm. B. Trask, the Rev. L. B. Van Dyck, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Nathaniel Walker, the Rev. Samuel H. Webb, of Providence, R. I., the Rev. J. E. Wildman, of Wallingford, Conn.; D. B. Whitney, Mrs. T. B. Williams, Robert C. Winthrop, LL. D., Mrs. Robert C. Winthrop.

Special contributions have been received for the purchase of a fire-proof safe to protect the manuscripts of the Diocese against loss by fire, viz. from Mrs. John A. Burnham, \$100; Miss Maria D. Burnham, \$100; Mr. J. Montgomery Sears, \$100. A safe having a capacity of about twenty cubic feet has been purchased, paid for, and placed in the room kindly granted for our use by the Trustees of the Episcopal Theological School, at Cambridge. Manuscripts, correspondence of the Clergy of the Colonial Times and of the first half-century of our Diocesan period, are solicited for the archives, where they will be carefully and safely preserved. The records of societies, which have served their purpose and become extinct, of which there have been several in this Diocese, should be placed in this Diocesan depository, as they constitute a part, and not an unimportant part, of the history of the Church.

The undersigned has received from the Treasurer of the Diocese \$25. The same has been expended as follows, viz. expressage, 35 cents; for arranging and classifying manuscript and printed matter, \$9.75; postage on 376 letters sent out by the Registrar, \$7.52; printing circulars, \$5.63; postage on 176 Registrar's Reports, \$1.78. Total, \$25.

EDMUND F. SLATTER, Registrar.

Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., for the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund, made the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE INCREASE OF THE FUND FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE BISHOP.

We were told Tuesday evening of a person born in the year 1745 saying that "such a fear of a Bishop had been instilled into him in his youth that he had come to the conclusion that it were better to give up, and die at once, should a Bishop ever appear

in this country, for one of the first acts of such an officer would be to seize and appropriate one-tenth of all the property of everybody, even of children, and as this person was the tenth child of his parents, albeit they were Congregationalist, he would be seized and taken away from his home." In the year 1797, fifty-two years after the birth of this person, a Bishop came to Massachusetts, and what was the result pecuniarily? In the first place two hundred dollars were raised and given him, and he served seven years, supporting himself as Rector of a parish. Then in 1804, another Bishop appeared who died within three months of his consecration, and cost the Diocese nothing. Then in 1810, a Bishop was chosen and a fund was raised, from which the Bishop received three hundred and fifty dollars a year, and twenty years later there were paid to him six hundred and fifty dollars annually. He labored as Rector of a parish, and thus earned a support for twenty-five years, and then, by a voluntary subscription, a modest stipend was provided for him. His successor received a thousand dollars a year, and his salary as Rector of a parish and his personal property were relied upon for support. The stipend as Bishop for many years was returned to the Diocese. In 1862, a special effort was made to increase the fund, and when our late Bishop resigned his parochial cure a salary of \$4,500 was provided, four city parishes contributing fifteen hundred dollars of this sum. Certainly the anticipations of the pious Congregationalist were far from being realized during the hundred years after his birth, and the fifty years after the consecration of the first Bishop.

And now that we have twenty thousand communicants, if the support of the Bishop came only from them each would have to pay thirty-five cents a year. The apportionment has been made on the salary of the Rector, each parish to contribute, once for all, half that salary, or, seven per cent. a year on that sum. On this basis we have raised a fund of about ninety-three thousand dollars, several parishes declining to contribute to it, and preferring making annual contributions. The interest on this fund is less than it was five years ago, so that a sum of about two thousand six hundred dollars must be raised every year to supplement the fund.

Your Committee have tried all their powers to persuade and convince parishes of their duty to contribute to the fund. Failing to do this in many instances, they now propose to the Convention making an earnest request to all these parishes to make two contributions a year. If every communicant of these parishes would give twenty cents a year; or, if every parish would contribute three and a half per cent. of the salary of the Rector, a suitable support for the Bishop would be provided. There are still twelve parishes who have never given anything, and fifteen other parishes who have given nothing this year, many of them nothing for several years.

Twenty-one years ago your Committee reported that they considered it the duty of every Episcopalian to contribute to the support of the Bishop. That Convention and subsequent Conventions have adopted this view, and we now ask this Convention to take measures to bring this duty home to the many people who have never given anything, as well as to those who contribute irregularly.

We propose the following votes:—

Voted, That the Rectors and Incumbents of all parishes which have not contributed their assigned quota towards the fund for the support of a Bishop be requested and urged to instruct their people as to this important duty, to exhort and admonish them, and to take up two collections a year, the proceeds to be duly sent to the Treasurer of the Trustees of Donations.

Voted, That the present Committee be discharged, and a new Committee of three be appointed and instructed to bring this matter to the attention of every delinquent parish, so that every member of the congregations shall have an opportunity of contributing towards the support of the Bishop.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.
CHARLES O. WHITMORE.
J. P. ELLICOTT.
THOMAS C. AMORY, JUN.
RUSSELL STURGIS, JUN.

The Report was accepted; the first Resolution appended was adopted; the second Resolution appended was not adopted.

Mr. ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, M. D., from the Episcopal Church Association, presented the following Report:—

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ASSOCIATION

The importance of maintaining the Rooms of the Association is more apparent each year, as their usefulness becomes generally appreciated. A Church Headquarters is now a recognized necessity, and an efficient means of furthering the various branches of church work. Since the last Convention one hundred and seventy-five meetings have been held at the Rooms and eighty-five visiting clergymen have registered their names. During the past season the Clergy have met every Monday forenoon. The reading of an essay has been followed by a discussion of the topic under consideration. The average attendance at these meetings has been nineteen. The Committee in charge of them are the Rev. George Z. Gray, D. D., the Rev. W. C. Winslow, and the Rev. B. S. Sanderson, Secretary.

At the last meeting a vote was passed conveying the thanks of the Clergy to the Episcopal Church Association for its kindness in granting the use of the Rooms.

The Treasurer would respectfully urge the customary appropriation of four hundred dollars for this Association.

At the adjourned Annual Meeting, held November 7, 1884, the following officers were chosen:—

Honorary President — The Right Rev. BISHOP of the Diocese.

President — ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON.

Vice-Presidents — JOSEPH S. FAY, GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.

Clerk — HENRY M. UPRAM.

Treasurer — ROBERT M. LAWRENCE.

Superintendent — Miss CECILIA SAINT CLAIR ELTON.

Directors — JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, CHARLES W. DEXTER, WILLIAM C. LOVELL, ROBERT TRENT PAINE, JUN., EDWARD N. PERKINS, CHARLES G. SAUNDERS, HOWARD STOCKTON.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board of Directors.

ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, *Treasurer*.

BOSTON, May 1, 1885.

The Report was accepted, and the following Resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention do, and is, hereby authorized to pay to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Church Association the sum of four hundred dollars towards the support of the Rooms of the Association for the ensuing year.

The SECRETARY presented the following Report of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese:—

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Society, in compliance with the provision of its By-Laws, presents to the Convention of the Diocese its Report for the year 1884-85—the forty-fifth year of its existence.

The beginning of this year was shadowed by sorrow at the loss, by death, of both of its Vice-Presidents. Its First Vice-President, the Rev. Joseph Hart Clinch, S. T. D., departed hence, in the favor and peace of God, July 5, 1884. He had been connected with the Society since 1842. His interest in its objects was cordial and unvarying, and his sympathy with the needy widows and orphans of his brethren in the ministry manifested itself in earnest efforts for their relief. His Christian character and deportment made it a privilege to the members of this body to be associated with him in its good work; they thank God upon every remembrance of him.

Its Second Vice-President, the Rev. Henry Burroughs, D. D., had been connected with the Society to its very great advantage, since 1864. He served as its Secretary for sixteen years, — from 1865 to 1881, — declining a re-election on account of an intended absence in Europe, for an indefinite period — the important duties of, which office he discharged with exemplary fidelity and accuracy. Elected the Second Vice-President, at the annual meeting in May last, it was doubtless in his heart to work diligently in the cause with which he had so long been identified; but he was permitted to continue in that office but for a brief season, — less than a month, — entering into his eternal rest June 8, 1884.

The condition of the funds of the Society is sound and prosperous, and bears pleasing witness to the pains-taking care and business ability which characterize their management. Notwithstanding the depression of business and the shrinkage of values in the past year, the income of the Society from its investments — \$5,034.07 — has been but about one hundred dollars less than that for the previous year.

ANNUITY FUND.

The present market value of the Annuity Fund is \$65,914.35.

The cash value of the annuities of the contributing Clerical members is about \$36,000; leaving a surplus over all liabilities, of \$29,914.35.

New investments: from cash, \$1,325.62; from bond matured, \$1,000. Total, \$2,325.62.

For the year the income of this Fund was \$3,421.87; of which \$2,994.62 was from investments, and \$427.25 from annual subscriptions.

The sum of \$525.00 has been paid to the families of deceased clergymen. The children of a deceased annual contributing Clerical member have cancelled the contract for annuity, upon just and equitable terms, and to them has been paid the sum of \$977.77.

CHARITY FUND.

The present market value of the Charity fund is \$37,804.00.

For the year the income of this Fund was \$2,432.05, of which \$2,039.45 came from investments, \$382.60 from contributions, and \$10.00 from payments of members.

During the year the sum of \$2,110.00, from the income of this Fund, has been distributed among twelve families of deceased clergymen.

The total amount of the market value of the Annuity and Charity Funds is \$103,718.35, being \$4,222.25 above their par value.

To Clergymen of the Diocese desiring to provide for their widows and orphans, the Society affords the opportunity of securing to the bereaved ones the payment of ten times the amount paid by the husbands and fathers.

To Church people of the Diocese desiring to aid the widows and orphans of Clergymen who have labored in this portion of the Lord's vineyard, the Society affords the opportunity, nay the privilege, of in some measure making good in temporal things the great loss they have sustained.

"Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve them alive, and let thy widows trust in Me." Who will embrace and hold fast the transcendent privilege of being

co-workers with the God of all the families of the earth, in caring for the fatherless, and securing the widows against the disappointment of their hope?

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Society.

WM. HENRY BROOKS, *Secretary*.

BOSTON, May 5, A. D. 1885.

[For the Report of the Treasurer of this Society, see Appendix B.]

MR. JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, from the Trustees of the Massachusetts Church Building Fund, presented the following Report:—

MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

The Trustees of the Massachusetts Church Building Fund report that no additions have been made during the past year, to the principal of the Fund, amounting to \$1,017.55.

JNO: S. BLATCHFORD.
GEORGE C. SHATTUCK.

BOSTON, May 6, 1885.

THE SECRETARY presented the following Report of the Episcopal Clerical Fund:—

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL CLERICAL FUND.

This Institution, for the relief of aged, disabled, and indigent clergymen in the Diocese of Massachusetts, organized June 9, 1845, presents to the Diocesan Convention its Report for the year 1884-85—the thirty-ninth year of its existence.

In the beginning of this year, it sustained a very great loss in the death of the Rev Joseph Hart Clinch S T D., which occurred July 5, 1884, who had been the Secretary of this body since May 19, 1851—the long period of thirty-three years. He was a ready, pains-taking, and accurate officer, a willing, interested, and efficient laborer for the relief of needy Ministers of the Church, and a courteous, humble, and godly associate. The remembrance of his blameless life and unselfish labors is a precious legacy to those connected with him in the good work of this Institution, which he esteemed both a duty and a privilege to promote in every way within his power.

During the past year the sum of \$1,870.00 has been appropriated to five beneficiaries—one of these is not, for God has taken him to live with Him.

The Treasurer's Report for the year ending April 30, 1885, shows the following items.—

Balance from last year, less amount invested, say \$610.63	\$365 97
Received from Parochial Contributions	830 07
" " Invested Funds	874 00
" " Individual Donations	85 00
" " Randolph M. Clark Memorial Fund	460 00
" " Sundries, Interest, etc.	51 09
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	\$2,670 13
Payments to beneficiaries	1,870 00
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Carried forward to New Account	\$800 13
Amount of Invested Funds	\$14,908 63
Randolph M. Clark Memorial Fund	12,000 00
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	\$26,908 63

Including the "RANDOLPH M. CLARK MEMORIAL FUND" of \$12,000—established May 17, 1881, by the munificence of the present Treasurer of the Fund, Mr. Joseph W. Clark, as a memorial of his son, who, with warm sympathy and untiring diligence, served as Treasurer during the period beginning with the year 1868 and ending with that of 1873,—when, on the 11th of September, he departed hence in the Lord—the Permanent Funds of this Institution amount to \$28,960.63.

This is but a very small sum, and it must appear to be such in an especial sense when it is remembered that it represents the accumulations of almost forty years. On the cover of the Journal of the Convention, year after year, appears the standing verbal expression of the expectation, rule, and recommendation of the Diocesan body: "The Preacher of the Annual Convention Sermon is expected to make an appeal in behalf of the Episcopal Clerical Fund, and the Offertory on the first day of the session is to be appropriated to the funds of that Society.

"It is recommended to all the Parishes in the Diocese to make a collection on Christmas Day, or on some day in the Advent season, for the Episcopal Clerical Fund."

As to the Preacher, he does all that is required and expected of him. As to the Diocesan Church in Convention assembled, it gives but sparingly in aid of its needy clerical members.

The Offertory on the first day of last year's session amounted to \$120.37; the average amount in nine previous years was about \$100.00. Do these sums adequately represent the Convention's sympathy with and interest in the work of the Episcopal Clerical Fund? As to the Parishes of the Diocese, but few of them contribute to its treasury. During this year offerings have been made by the following:

Messiah, Boston; St. Stephen's, Pittsfield; Ascension, Fall River; St. Anne's, Lowell; St. Mark's, Southborough; Christ Church, Cambridge; St. John's Memorial, Cambridge; Grace, Amherst; Grace, Newton; St. Paul's, Newburyport; St. Paul's, Stockbridge; Trinity, Milford; Christ Church, Medway; Emmanuel, Boston; St. Peter's, Salem; St. Andrew's, Hanover; Christ Church, Quincy; St. Michael's, Marblehead; St. Paul's, Boston; St. Paul's, Holyoke; St. Paul's, Dedham.

Are there not one hundred and five? But where are the eighty-four?

If the Church people of this Diocese could be made to know and feel how charitable and necessary a work is wrought by this Institution for the aid of disabled clergymen, in furnishing the necessities, if not the comforts and conveniences of life, in rendering less acute and trying the pains of sickness and the feebleness of old age, and in providing decent burial, neither would there be among these needy brethren any that lacked, for distribution would be made unto every man according as he had need.

May their sympathy with this work, so noble, so sacred, and their contributions in its behalf no longer continue at low-water mark!

Why should not the Church in this Commonwealth, as she enters upon the second century of her Diocesan existence, launch out into the deep of self-denying liberality, and let down her nets for a draught of blessings, in sure and certain hope that a great multitude of these shall be inclosed, in return for her good deeds in behalf of her Ministers disabled by disease or bodily infirmity?

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Fund.

WM. HENRY BROOKS, *Secretary pro tempore*.

BOSTON, May 5, A. D. 1885.

[For the Report of the Treasurer of this Fund, see Appendix B.]

The Rev. THOS. F. FALES, from the Massachusetts Church Missionary Society, presented the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This Society has not been engaged in the active prosecution of Missionary work during the year, but has contributed to the Diocesan Board the interest of trust funds which it holds, and has authorized the Trustees of Donations to transmit to the same Board the net income of the fund bequeathed by Bishop Eastburn, for the year ending May, 1886.

The following officers for the ensuing year have been elected. —

President. MARTIN L. BEADFORD, Esq.

Vice President. — RUSSELL STURGIS, JUN., Esq.

Secretary. — REV. THOMAS F. FALES.

Treasurer. — STEPHEN G. DEBLOIS, Esq.

Executive Committee. — The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., Rev. GEORGE W. DUNELL, Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, CHARLES W. DEXTER, Esq.

THOS. F. FALES, *Secretary.*

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Convention now adjourn.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 7. A. D. 1885.
NINE O'CLOCK A. M.

The Convention attended Divine Service in Trinity Church.

Morning Prayer to the Creed was read by the Rev. LEVERETT BEADLEY, and from the Creed by the Rev. WALDO BURNETT. The Benediction was pronounced by the BISHOP.

At the conclusion of Divine Service, the Convention re-assembled in the Chapel of Trinity Church.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Printed ballots (in compliance with the fourteenth Rule of Order, required to be printed by the Secretary) for members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese were then distributed among the members of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., —

Resolved, That the calling of the roll be dispensed with.

The Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE presented the following Report of the Committee on the Observance of the Centennial Year of the Church in this Diocese, and, in behalf of the Committee, offered a Resolution in connection with the Report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CELEBRATION OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH YEAR OF THE CONVENTION.

The Committee on the Celebration of the One Hundredth Year of the Convention, the particulars of whose appointment may be found recorded on pages 96 and 104 of the Journal of the 94th Annual Meeting of the Convention, beg leave to submit the following Report: —

Before the Committee had fairly entered on its duties, its membership was broken by the death of its Chairman, the Rev. Henry Burroughs, D. D. The vacancy thus occasioned was filled by the appointment, by the Bishop, of the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, Rector of Grace Church, Medford.

As thus finally constituted the Committee organized in June, 1884, by the choice of the Rev. R. H. Howe as Chairman, and J. S. Blatchford, Esq., as Secretary, and proceeded at once with the work assigned it. The Rev. E. F. Slafter having felt obliged to decline the appointment tendered by the Convention of preparing one of the contemplated discourses for the Commemoration, choice was made by the Committee of the Hon. Robert C. Winthrop as substitute, and, Mr. Winthrop in turn declining, of George C. Shattuck, M. D., who kindly accepted the invitation. Upon consultation with the Bishop, and with his approval, the Committee ventured to make slight changes in the time and place of the Commemoration services, as originally designated in the order of the Convention, deeming it fitting on account of historical associations, that the services should be distributed between Christ Church, St. Paul's Church, and Trinity Church, and being of opinion that on grounds of expediency, they should not occupy the whole of Tuesday before Convention. The arrangements as finally perfected by the Committee, were duly announced by a preliminary circular issued in Easter Week to ministers and parishes throughout the Diocese, and in accordance with these arrangements the Commemoration took place as follows:

On Tuesday afternoon, May 5, 1885, at Christ Church, Salem Street, Boston, the Rev. Frederick Courtney, S. T. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Boston, delivered a discourse on "The History of the English Church in the Colony, or Province, of Massachusetts Bay." The discourse was preceded by Evening Prayer.

Present in the Chancel and assisting in the service, beside the speaker, were the Bishop of the Diocese, the rector of the Parish (the Rev. W. H. Munroe), the Rev. T. F. Fales, the Rev. G. S. Converse, the Rev. G. Z. Gray, D. D., the Rev. H. F. Allen, and the Rev. A. St. J. Chambré, D. D. At 6 P. M., about eighty of the clergy and laity took tea together informally at St. Paul's Chapel, spending an hour or more in pleasant social intercourse. At $\frac{1}{4}$ of 8 P. M., in St. Paul's Church, after a brief service, a second discourse was delivered by George C. Shattuck, M. D., on "The First Three Bishops of the Diocese of Massachusetts." Present in the Chancel, and some of them assisting in Divine Service, there were, beside the Bishop of the Diocese and the Rector of the Parish, the Rev. W. H. Brooks, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Slafter, the Rev. Arthur Lawrence, and the Rev. William Lawrence.

On Wednesday morning, May 6, in Trinity Church, in the course of Divine Service, and in place of the usual sermon to the Convention, a third discourse was delivered by the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, on "The First Century of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts."

Present in the Chancel with the Bishop and the Rector of the Church (the Rev. Phillips Brooks, D. D.), and assisting in the service were the following clergy, representing parishes existing prior to the century now closed: The Rev. A. M. Backus, Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham, the Rev. H. E. Cotton, Rector of Christ Church, Quincy, the Rev. J. F. Spalding, Rector of Christ Church, Cambridge, the Rev. C. J. Palmer, Rector of St. Luke's, Lanesborough, the Rev. W. R. Harris, Rector of St. Michael's, Marblehead, the Rev. J. H. Van Buren, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newburyport, the Rev. W. H. Munroe, Rector of Christ Church, Boston, and the Rev. W. H. Brooks, D. D., Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.

The Offertory, as usual for the Episcopal Clerical Fund, was taken by the following Deacons: The Reverends Endicott Peabody, J. O. Lincoln, W. L. Robbins, and R. B. Parker.

The attendance at each of these services was unprecedentedly large, and a corresponding interest was duly manifested.

Appended to this Report are the official minutes of the Committee, copies of the printed matter prepared by its direction, a note and memorandum from the Bishop

of the Diocese touching certain details of the commemorative services, letters from several other bishops in response to invitations from the committee, and sundry cuttings from the daily papers relating to the event, the whole of which it is believed are worthy of preservation in the Archives of the Diocese for reference at the next Centennial Commemoration.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

REGINALD H. HOWE,
CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,
EDWARD ABBOTT,
JNO. S. BLATCHFORD,
EDWARD R. COGSWELL,

Committee of the Convention.

Boston, May 7, 1885.

The Committee on the Observance of the Centennial Year beg leave to offer the following Resolution. —

Resolved, That the Committee on the Centennial Observance be instructed to have printed at least 2,000 copies of the Commemorative Discourses delivered on the occasion of the observance of the One Hundredth Year of the Organization of the Diocese of Massachusetts, for distribution by the Secretary of the Convention.

The Report was accepted, and the Resolution was adopted.

The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE presented the following Report on the Relation of the Church in Massachusetts to the Colored Population: —

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE RELATION OF THE CHURCH IN MASSACHUSETTS TO THE COLORED POPULATION.

The Committee on the Relation of the Church in Massachusetts to the Colored Population have but little to add to their former report with regard to work done on behalf of these people in our State and Diocese.

They addressed letters of enquiry to all the clergy of the Diocese, instead of, as before, to those only in places where the number of colored inhabitants is large. The replies elicited, however, do not add anything to the information before obtained. There has been no increase of work done or of individuals brought into the Church, with one exception to be spoken of below.

Thinking that it would be interesting to know what is done elsewhere your Committee have written to the Secretaries of Diocesan Conventions in twenty-six of the Dioceses in the northern section of our country, asking information as to any work, organized or otherwise, done for the Colored Population in those Dioceses. To these letters nineteen courteous replies were received.

From the replies it appears that there is some organized work for the Colored People in seven Dioceses — Long Island, Connecticut, Northern New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Michigan, and Springfield. In three others of those from which no answers came, — New York, Pennsylvania, and Western New York, — your Committee are aware that there are Churches or Missions for the Colored People, in one instance, at least, the minister being of African descent. In twelve Dioceses there are no Churches or Missions for these people. Of four Dioceses — New Hampshire, Vermont, Central Pennsylvania, and Minnesota — no information has been obtained.

Some details will be of interest.

St. Philip's Church, Newark, N. J., has 83 communicants, and raises contributions to the amount of \$1,300, with a Sunday School of 43.

St. Thomas's, Chicago, has 73 communicants, contributes \$992, and has a Sunday School of 101.

St. Cyprian's, Pittsburgh, reports 51 communicants, \$357 raised, and Sunday School of 31.

St. Augustine's, Brooklyn, L. I., has 73 communicants, a contribution list of \$226, and a Sunday School of 44.

St. Luke's, New Haven, Conn., has about 50 communicants, of whom we are told "The people are the more quiet, sober-minded of the race, who turn to the Church from the extravagance of the Methodists, etc. Nearly all the colored Church folks of the city are there." These people raise \$400 a year towards the salary of their minister.

These five Churches or Missions are in charge of colored clergy.

St. Matthew's, Detroit, Diocese of Michigan, has 52 communicants, raised \$500 last year, and has 126 in the Sunday School. This mission is in a most flourishing condition. They have a beautiful and Churchly brick edifice, and good congregations. The clergy of the city take turns in giving them a Sunday afternoon service, the minister of Holy Trinity being in especial charge. Many of the members attend morning service at other churches.

To the above may be added *St. Philip's, New York*, reporting 264 communicants; *St. Thomas's, Philadelphia*, 89 communicants; *St. Philip's, Geneva, Western N. Y.*, about 65 communicants, and *St. Michael's Mission, Cairo, Diocese of Springfield*, 21 communicants; of which your Committee have not any official information. We have heard also of a small Mission Sunday School for Colored children, at Bristol, R. I. It is possible that there are other works which have escaped notice.

Of the Dioceses which have no organized work for the Colored Population, one reports "one man," another "an occasional child in Sunday School," a third "about twenty or thirty communicants scattered throughout the Diocese." The Secretary of one Convention writes: ". . . No distinctively colored work. There is plenty of room for it, and its absence is a reproach to the Church." From Western Michigan we hear: "In Grand Rapids, the Bishop and one or two of the city Rectors occasionally preach by invitation to a colored congregation of some sectarian stripe. The people, I am told, enjoy it very much, and it is quite likely something permanent may come of it."

As a result of our enquiries, it would seem that, while the Diocese of Massachusetts has been very neglectful of her duty towards the Colored Population, she is probably not far behind any other Diocese, with the exception of New York, in the numbers who have been brought within the fold or under the influences of our Church. There has, however, been almost no attempt to approach them as a race.

The present number of Colored Communicants in the Diocese may be estimated at 150, out of a population of 18,697. Your Committee do not know what proportion the communicants in the Dioceses named bear to their Colored Inhabitants. The very general neglect of the African race, by our Church throughout the Northern states is a matter both of regret and reproach.

Returning now to the question as to what ought to be done in Massachusetts, your Committee find it difficult to offer any recommendations. They cannot but feel, however, that in places where the Colored People are gathered in large numbers, something might be organized on their behalf and that they might be approached as a race with good results; experience shows this. Where the numbers are few it would be possible to make more attempt to win individuals. The labor of the Committee will not have been lost if they only succeed in calling the attention of the Clergy, and of the Laity also, to this great work which lies almost untouched around them and in their midst. Experience in our own Diocese shows that something can be done.

The Mission School in the West End of Boston, to which allusion was made in our last report, has been carried on successfully and with large growth during the year. There are now 119 Colored children under instruction in the Sunday School, taught by 14 teachers, of whom 10 are Colored Communicants of the Church in Boston, who are working gladly for the benefit of their own race. Besides the Sunday School there has been a Sunday Evening Service, a sewing school for children and another

for women, as well as a singing school and other classes. Several children have been baptized and four adults confirmed. The people are taking a growing interest, and St. Augustine's Mission promises to become a successful and permanent work. The Sunday evening services have been conducted by clergy of the Mission Church of St. John the Evangelist, under whose general supervision the work is being carried on.

This seems to offer a step towards the possible solution of the problem before us. The Colored Population will respond to kindly efforts on their behalf, and will accept an outstretched hand drawing them toward the Church of Jesus Christ.

It appears to your Committee that some similar attempts might be made elsewhere.

St. Augustine's Mission is in Ward IX. of the City of Boston in which there are 2120 Colored residents, the adjacent Ward VIII having 485. Might not something be done towards the South End of the city where Wards X, XI., and XII., have 867 Colored inhabitants, and Wards XVI., XVII., XVIII., and XIX., count up 1465.

It may, too, be thought possible to make the trial in some other towns where the number of Colored People is considerable, as in New Bedford with 1541, Cambridge 1504, Springfield 770, Worcester 763, Lynn 864, and Pittsfield 320.

Your Committee understand that the work referred to above was originally begun by laymen and is still carried on mainly by lay workers. Possibly where the hands of the Clergy are full some lay people might be found who would take an interest and work.

Where no direct work can be done for the Colored People more pains might be taken to attract them to the Church and give them an interest in it. As it is, while the Church in Massachusetts boasts of never having drawn a color line, the line is pretty clearly defined. The Colored People attend the Church as visitors rather than as an integral part of the parish. They are not found, except very rarely, serving on any committee, or having any official status in the parish. It is very much the white-folks' Church to which they may go, but which does not belong to them. If they could be taken more into the body corporate, and have some responsibility laid upon them, probably their interest in the Church would be much greater. The State has given them civil equality, naturally they will look to find religious equality also, in any Church to which they attach themselves.

It has been brought to the notice of your Committee, that many young people of color come from the South to obtain education in Boston, and return as teachers among their own people. Many, also, who are born in the North, are qualifying themselves for teachers with the same end in view. If the Church could reach such, or if she could choose out from among her own Colored children in the North those who were fitted for the work, and train and send them forth, not only qualified in secular learning, but able and willing to teach the Catholic faith, she would do much for the regeneration of the race.

The question grows in importance. The Colored People are increasing 34 per cent., to 26 per cent. increase among the White People, and in 20 years they will be 20,000,000 in number. How many of these the Church might win if she were willing and active!

The problem in the South is overwhelming, but in the North, with the few numbers and great strength and means of the Church, we ought to be able to meet it. From the North might go forth impetus and spirit to help where help is so needed. Massachusetts might well be foremost in so great a work.

There are many other questions which have come before your Committee, such as the question between a white or colored Ministry, and white or colored teachers: whether colored Missions or Churches should be independent or attached to some strong white Church.

The Chairman of the Committee attended an important conference of Colored Clergy of our Church, held in New York in September last. The opinion expressed there, was that questions such as these must be dealt with according to the circum-

stances of each place; no general rule can be laid down: what would be the acceptable and best method of working in one community, might altogether fail in another. It seems, therefore, unadvisable to lengthen this report by discussing them further.

In conclusion, the Committee respectfully offer two resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That this Convention earnestly commends to the Clergy and thoughtful Church people of this Diocese, the consideration of the present condition of the Colored Population of the Diocese, asking both their prayers and efforts that they may be gathered into the fold of the Church of Jesus Christ.

2. *Resolved*, That this report, together with the report of the same Committee presented at the last session of the Diocesan Convention, be printed as a pamphlet, and circulated among the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD OSBORNE, S. S. J. E.
CHAS. H. LEAROYD.
CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

On motion,—

Resolved, That the Report be accepted, and the *first* Resolution appended thereto be adopted.

On motion, the *second* Resolution appended to the Report was laid on the table by the following vote:—

Yeas 86 Nays 29

The Rev. JULIUS H. WARD, for the Committee on Unfinished Business, made the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Committee beg to report that the Amendment to Section 2, of Article II., of the Constitution, which was offered by Mr. Causten Brown last year, and was approved by a majority of each order, stands over for action at this Convention. The Amendment makes Section 2, of Article II., of the Constitution, read as follows:—

“SECTION 2. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop shall each have a seat and vote in the Convention. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Convention; *provided*, that he has been canonically resident for at least twelve months next preceding the session of the Convention. And all other Clergymen, canonically resident in this Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership of this Convention, except the right to vote.”

The Committee also call attention to a Communication from the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, printed on page 102 of the Journal, on which no action seems to have been taken.

JULIUS H. WARD.
J. MORTON CLINCH.

May 7, 1885.

Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., for the Trustees of Donations, made the following Report:—

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

To the Ninety-fifth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held at Boston, May 6, 1885

Eight Churches and one Rectory have been conveyed to the Trustees since their last report.

The amount of the Bishop's Fund reported to the last Convention was \$32,680 10
Since then we have received:—

From subscriptions	\$359 18
Gain on changes of investment	250 00
Income invested	227 46
	<u>\$826 64</u>

Present amount of the fund \$33,936 73

The Bishop's Salary has been paid in full to May 1, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM P. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF DONATIONS.

DELINQUENT PARISHES, MAY, 1885.

Since March 1, 1884, the following Delinquent Parishes have contributed for the first time to the Bishop's Fund:—

Brighton, St. Margaret's, 1884	\$21 00
Danvers, Calvary	10 00
Easthampton, St. Philip's Mission, 1884, \$5.00; 1885, \$3.25	8 25
Martha's Vineyard, Grace	2 00
South Boston, Grace, 1884, \$10.00, 1885, \$10.00	20 00
Westfield, Atonement, 1884, \$3.00; 1885, \$4.00	7 00
Worcester, St. John's Mission	2 30
Wrentham, Trinity	5 00

The following Parishes have still paid nothing:—

Adams, St. Mark's, Amherst, Grace, Fliskdale, Grace, Lincoln, St. Anne's, Nantucket, St. Paul's, Natick, St. Paul's, Otis, St. Paul's; Oxford, Grace, Plymouth, Christ, Rochdale, Christ; South Groveland, St. James's.

The following Parishes are also notably delinquent:—

	Total am't paid in 12 years.
Boston, St. Mark's	\$30 00
Cambridge, St. Peter's	112 25
Chelsea, St. Luke's	109 00
Gloucester, St. John's	5 00
Medway, Christ	3 50
Milford, Trinity	105 00
Northampton, St. John's	29 00
Taunton, St. John's	65 00
Van Deusenville, Trinity	24 00
Weymouth, Trinity	27 13
Wrentham, Trinity	5 00

The following Parishes, giving notes, are delinquent in payments of interest:—
East Boston, St. John's; Amesbury, St. James's; Woburn, Trinity.

The BISHOP stated that the Committee of the Eastern Convocation to whom was entrusted the publication of a Sermon by BISHOP PERRY, delivered by him before that body, on "*The Men*

and *Measures of the Massachusetts Conventions of 1784-85*," had placed copies of the Sermon on the Secretary's table, for any of the Clergy and Laymen present who had not received them.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, from the Western Convocation, made the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE WESTERN CONVOCATION.

The Secretary of the Western Convocation respectfully reports as follows, for the Conventional Year, 1884-85:—

The Convocation met at St. Paul's Church, Holyoke, January 13th, when the following officers were elected:—

Dean, Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH; *Secretary*, Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS; *Treasurer*, Rev. CHARLES J. PALMER; *Members of Board of Missions*. *Clerical*, Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS, *Lay*, Judge C. C. CONANT.

A very great interest has been manifested in the Convocation this past year in reference to reaching in some more satisfactory way the increasingly large number of families in our mountainous part of the Diocese, who are virtually cut off from all Christian instruction whatever, and active measures are being set on foot which it is hoped will be productive of much good in the evangelization of our hill-towns.

In these ways and in others, the Convocation is more than ever before, it is felt by all, thoroughly alive, spiritually and intellectually, and although unable, because of the comparatively long distances which separate the different parishes, to meet as frequently as the other Convocations, yet deeply impressed with its great responsibilities and opportunities, and laboring with our mind and our heart for the accomplishment of every good work presented to it, as well as for the encouragement of its individual members in their special work.

JOHN COTTON BROOKS, *Secretary*.

SPRINGFIELD, May 4, 1885.

MR. EDWARD N. PERKINS, for the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, made the following Report:—

REPORT OF THE MARGARET COFFIN PRAYER-BOOK SOCIETY.

The Society has continued its quiet but effective work during the past year, and has strengthened by its benefactions the Missions and feeble Parishes of this, and other Dioceses. It has distributed gratuitously in Massachusetts, 852 Prayer-Books and 538 Hymnals; in Maine, 50 Prayer-Books; in New Hampshire, 100 Prayer-Books and 80 Hymnals; in Indiana, 50 Prayer-Books and 50 Hymnals; in Ohio, 26 Prayer-Books; in all 1,078 Prayer-Books and 668 Hymnals, a total of 1,746 volumes.

The Treasurer's Account shows that the Receipts from all sources, including a balance from last year of \$996.77, have been \$2,117.37.

Expenses for Printing and Purchase of Prayer-Books and Hymnals,	\$539 41
Added to Permanent Fund	1,000 00
Balance to New Account	577 96
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	\$2,117 37

The Permanent Fund now amounts to \$13,500.00.

Application for Prayer-Books and Hymnals may be made to the Bishop, who is the President of the Society, or to the Clerk.

Respectfully Submitted.

EDWARD N. PERKINS, *Clerk*.

May 5, 1885.

Mr. JOSEPH STORY FAY presented, without reading, the following Report of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents:—

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

The Treasurer's Account shows a total of receipts in Donations, Miscellaneous Offerings, and Annual Subscriptions, of \$6,610.89, against \$6,999.16 in 1883. The expenses amounted to \$7,651.82. The Permanent Fund has been further increased \$2,000, through payment of the legacy of Mrs. Lucy Chickering, and amounts, with the Nabby Joy Fund, to \$16,166.

The aggregate of Subscriptions and Donations is about the same as last year, while the income from Investments has increased, but the offerings from Churches have considerably fallen off. The Hospital Maintenance has been less, with an increased number of patients, so that the final result of the year's work would have been favorable but for the expense of repairing and finally rebuilding the retaining wall on the north side of the lot.

The whole number of patients during the past year was two hundred and thirty-six, an increase of twenty-one over the previous year.

The Home building, though in good outside repair, needs certain things done inside, had the Trustees the necessary funds.

It behooves the friends of the Home not only to maintain it liberally, and increase its work, but to enlarge its endowment, so that the constant strain of anxiety as to its maintenance may be taken from the Treasurer.

F. C. FOSTER, *Secretary*.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW presented the following Report of the Free Church Association (Massachusetts Branch):—

REPORT OF THE FREE CHURCH ASSOCIATION—MASSACHUSETTS BRANCH

The Executive Committee of the Free Church Association respectfully presents its third annual report to the Convention:

At the annual meeting on November 3, last, the following officers and board were chosen, which include three additional directors:—

President, GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.

Vice President, Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT.

Secretary, Rev. WILLIAM C. WINSLOW.

Treasurer, I. WELLS CLARKE.

Directors, Rev. REGINALD H. HOWE, Rev. L. B. BALDWIN, Rev. SUMNER U. SHEARMAN, Rev. JOHN T. MAGRATH, JOSEPH BURNETT, A. J. C. SOWDON, J. D. W. FRENCH, JOHN S. BLATCHFORD, and JOHN P. REYNOLDS.

On our rolls are nearly 90 clergy and 80 laity. Every free church in the Diocese should be represented by its Minister and at least one lay member.

The work of the past year has been that of quiet but steady progression. Indeed, with the exception of furnishing some hundreds of tracts, sermons and leaflets, as called for, the Association has not been active in holding meetings and by special sermons to make known its objects and the advantages of the system. The cause has commended itself, inasmuch as all the churches and chapels consecrated the past year in the Diocese are free; and the growth of opinion in favor of the system is sure and steady, not only in Massachusetts and the United States, but in Great Britain. The proportion of free services to those that are not, in Boston, is to-day probably as two to one. We are thankful to note the arrangements for free services at large pewed churches in Boston and elsewhere, and the increasing custom

of the weekly Offertory. A steady and wholesome change of opinion, rather than radical changes and corresponding agitation, has been the end the Executive Committee has sought in its plans and their execution.

The annual service was held on Sunday evening, November 9, at the Church of the Advent, in Boston, when Rev. H. G. Batterson, D. D., of Philadelphia, preached the sermon to a crowded congregation. A "free church conference," following the annual meeting, on November 3, at the Church Rooms, was well attended.

Respectfully submitted, etc.

WM. C. WINSLOW, *Secretary*.

BOSTON, May 5, 1885.

The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S. T. D., presented the following Report of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions:—

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

The Massachusetts Branch of the Woman's Auxilliary to the Board of Missions presents its Seventh Annual Report as follows:—

Monthly meetings have been held during nine months of the year, with an average representation of thirty-seven Parishes.

On the evening of October 15th, the Anniversary was observed, in St. Paul's Church, Boston, with Divine Service, and a sermon preached by the Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, of Worcester, Mass.

Summary of year's work, as shown in the Annual Report published in October:—

211 Boxes sent, valued	\$12,908 96
Money received and forwarded	9,647 55
Total	<u>\$22,616 51</u>

Respectfully submitted.

EMILY PADDOCK, *Secretary M. B. W. A.*

BOSTON, May 6, 1885.

The SECRETARY presented the following Report of the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children:—

REPORT OF THE CHURCH HOME FOR ORPHAN AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN.

The Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children received last year 41 new inmates, dismissing an equal number, some to homes provided by the Board of Managers, but fully two-thirds being returned to their parents. This one item indicates a peculiar, and as it is thought by those who support it, a very beneficent feature of this charity, for whereas almost all children's asylums require the absolute surrender of the children to their care, this alone will receive them for a limited time, in cases of need or sudden misfortune, to restore them when their parents have again become able to provide for them.

The large proportion of parents who recognize this privilege as a stimulus to their exertions proves its value, although it is more burdensome to those in charge, than if they had complete legal control over the children. The advantages, however, to both parent and child, make the managers willing to accept the additional trouble.

Seventeen children have been baptized during the year, and the number is included in the report of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston, the Home being under the pastoral care of the Rector of that parish.

A large outlay has been incurred this Spring for repairs to the building, which is now in thoroughly good order. The Home is constantly full, fifty boys and fifty girls being the limit of its capacity.

Respectfully submitted.

SARAH A. C. BOND, *Secretary*.

May 5, 1885.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE, from the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, made the following Report:—

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 2, Section 5, to wit: *Moved*, That in Title I., Canon 2, Section 5, in the 5th line, the words "receive the votes of" be substituted for the words "call by name," and in the 7th line, the words "receive the votes" be substituted for "call the names," report that they are unable to see that the adoption of the amendment would result in any gain of time for the Convention, and they therefore recommend that the amendment be not adopted.

E. M. GUSHEE, *Chairman*.

The Report was accepted: the Recommendation with which it closed was not adopted.

The question upon the passage of the proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 2, Section 5, to substitute the words "receive the votes of" for the words "call by name," in the fifth line, and the words "receive the votes" for the words "call the names," in the seventh line, then coming up, the amendment, by a vote of a majority of each Order, was adopted.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE, from the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, made the following Report:—

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons having taken into consideration the following proposed amendment:

Resolved, That the fourth paragraph of Section 2, Canon 2, Title I., be amended by adding the words "nor unless such parish shall have paid its Convention assessment for the year last preceding."

Report, that in their judgment its adoption is inexpedient, and they therefore recommend that the amendment be not adopted.

E. M. GUSHEE, *Chairman*.

The Report was accepted, and the Recommendation with which it closed, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. GEORGE N. FISHER,—

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to inquire, and report to this Convention, whether there is a reasonable effort made to collect the Convention assessments from delinquent Parishes.

On motion of the Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER,—

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to consider and report upon the numerical designation of the Conventions on the cover of the Journal, and suggest such change as shall make it conform to the historical facts.

The BISHOP appointed as this Committee:—

The Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER.
 “ GEORGE W. SHINN, D. D.
 Mr. JOSEPH STORY FAY.

On motion of Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., —

Resolved, That in the election of Officers yet to be chosen at this meeting, balloting be dispensed with.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD be elected Treasurer of the Diocese.

On motion of the same, —

Resolved, That the Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER be elected Registrar of the Diocese.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the election of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

The CHAIR appointed the following tellers on the Clerical vote : —

The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE.
 “ GEORGE E. OSGOOD.
 “ HENRY E. COTTON.

On the Lay vote : —

Mr. THOMAS MAIR.
 “ EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M. D.
 “ EDMUND RODMAN.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE presented a new form of Constitution adopted by St. John's Church, Boston Highlands, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D. D., offered the following Resolutions,—

1. *Resolved*, That the Secretaries of the Convention be requested to prepare a simplified form of Parochial Report which shall cover the requirements of Canon 2, Section 5, Title IV., respecting parochial statistics.

2. *Resolved*, That, in view of the fact that in most Parishes, the financial statements are from Easter to Easter, all the Clergy be requested to make their reports for the year coincide with this usage.

3. *Resolved*, That the blank forms of Parochial Reports be mailed by the Secretary to the Clergy, early in Holy Week of each year, and that the Clergy be requested to fill them up and return them to the Secretary as soon after Easter as possible, to be delivered by him to the Bishop on or before the opening of the Convention.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER moved an amendment to the *first* Resolution, as follows,—

Strike out the words, "the Secretaries of the Convention be requested," and insert the words, "a Committee of five be appointed,"

Which was lost.

On motion, the three Resolutions offered by the Rev. Dr. SHINN, were adopted.

On motion of the Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, —

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair to draft and report to the next Diocesan Convention a Canon whereby uniformity may be obtained in the method of registering communicants.

The CHAIR appointed as such Committee:—

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE.
" HENRY A. METCALF.
Mr. CHARLES G. SAUNDERS.

The CHAIR appointed as a Committee to make nominations to fill vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions:—

The Rev. SUMNER U. SHEARMAN.
" GEORGE P. HUNTINGTON.
Mr. HENRY HYDE SMITH.

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, for the Executive Committee, made the following Report:—

The Executive Committee would respectfully recommend that the opening services of the next Annual Convention, on the fifth Wednesday after Easter 1886 be held in Trinity Church, Boston, and the Business Sessions, in the Chapel of Trinity Church. They would nominate as Preacher the Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, D. D., and, as substitute, the Rev. G. Z. GRAY, D. D.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. LAWRENCE.
JOHN A. BEVINGTON.
D. P. CROCKER.

The Report was accepted, its Recommendation was adopted, and its Nominations were approved.

On motion of the Rev. GEORGE S. BENNITT,—

Resolved, That the Committee on Revision of Parochial Report consult the Reports required from the Diocesan Conventions to the General Convention, with a view of adding "Families" and any other Statistics required from this Diocese.

The SECRETARY laid before the House, Official Copies of the Notification to the Dioceses of the Proposed Changes in the Prayer-Book, 1883-86, and of The Book Annexed as Modified by the Action of the General Convention of 1883, received from the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary of the House of Deputies, and read the following communication and note from him:—

NOTIFICATION.

To the Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

SIR,—In compliance with the requirements of Article 8, of the Constitution, I would hereby officially make known, through you, to the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts, the following alterations and additions in the Book of Common Prayer, proposed in the General Convention of 1883, and to be acted upon at the General Convention of 1886, to wit, those comprised in the resolutions subjoined.

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary of the House of Deputies.*

MEDFORD, MASS., March 2, A. D. 1885.

NOTE.

This copy of "The Book Annexed as modified by the action of the General Convention of 1883," is sent with, and forms part of, the official Notification to the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts, of the alterations and additions in the Prayer-Book proposed in the General Convention of 1883, and to be acted upon at the General Convention of 1886.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary of the House of Deputies.*

MEDFORD, MASS., April 25, A. D. 1885.

The SECRETARY read the following communication from the Rev. RICHARD B. POST, Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of New Jersey:—

THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY.

To the Secretary of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—I have the honor of sending you the following Resolutions passed at the last Convention of this Diocese, held in the city of New Brunswick on the 6th and 7th of May. Will you kindly lay them before the next Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts:—

Resolved, That this Convention, through its Deputies, memorialize the next General Convention in favor of a restoration in "The Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion" of so much of its old congruity as may be effected by replacing the so-called Lesser Exhortation, Confession, Absolution, Comfortable Words and Prayer of Humble Access, after the Prayer of Consecration, and immediately before the reception and distribution of the Elements.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention be requested to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Secretary of every Convention of the American Church, and request him to lay it before his Convention and ask its official approval of the object, and co-operation in accomplishing it.

Attested, RICH. B. POST, *Secretary.*

SOUTH AMBOY, N. J., June 3, 1884.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. CLINCH, D. D.

On motion of Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.,—

Resolved, That the communication be received, and be laid on the table.

The BISHOP, having called the Rev. CHARLES H. LEABOYD to the chair, retired from the Convention.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE offered the following Resolutions:—

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this Convention, the travelling expenses of the Right Reverend, the Bishop of the Diocese, incurred in his official visitations, should be paid to the Bishop by the Parishes at the time of each visitation.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Clergy in charge of Parishes and Missions, and to the Wardens and Vestrymen of the several Parishes.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS offered the following amendment:—

Resolved, That Title I., Canon 6, Section 2, be amended so as to insert after the word "Diocese," in line 7, the words "in his public official duties."

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT offered the following substitute:—

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention the Bishop is entitled, under Section 2, Canon 6, Title I., of the Canons of the Diocese, to draw on the Treasurer of the Diocese for his travelling expenses incurred in the discharge of his official duties, and that he is requested so to do.

Which substitute was accepted by the Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS renewed his amendment.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT withdrew his substitute, and seconded the amendment of the Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS.

On motion of Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.,—

Resolved, That the Resolutions, Amendment, and Substitute, together with the whole subject, be referred to a Committee of three, to report at the next meeting of the Convention.

The CHAIR appointed as such Committee:—

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

" LEIGHTON PARKS.

Mr. FITCH EDWARD OLIVER, M. D.

The BISHOP having returned to the Convention, resumed the chair.

The SECRETARY read the following telegraphic message from the Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania:—

PHILADELPHIA, PA., May 7, 1885.

The Rev. W. H. Brooks, Secretary, Trinity Church.

The Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania congratulates the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts upon the celebration of its Centennial Anniversary.

JOHN A. CHILDS, Secretary.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY.

To this message the SECRETARY was instructed to send, by telegraph, the following response :—

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON, MASS.,
May 7, 1885.

The Rev. John A. Childs, Secretary, Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts accepts the congratulations of the venerable Diocese of Pennsylvania, rejoices in its high prosperity, and wishes it good luck in the name of the Lord.

WM. HENRY BROOKS, *Secretary.*

The SECRETARY read the following invitation from the Secretary of the General Theological Library :—

THE THEOLOGICAL BUILDING, 9 SOMERSET STREET,
BOSTON, MASS., May 6, 1885.

The Right Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D.

The Directors of the General Theological Library would extend a cordial invitation to the members of the Episcopal Convention, now in session in Boston, to visit and to use the Library and Reading Room, at their convenience, during the present week.

Very respectfully and truly yours,

LUTHER FARNHAM, *Secretary G. T. L.*

On motion, The invitation was accepted, with thanks for the same.

The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE, from the tellers of the Clerical vote for the Standing Committee of the Diocese, reported as follows :—

**REPORT OF THE TELLERS APPOINTED ON THE PART OF THE CLERGY
TO RECEIVE AND COUNT THE BALLOTS FOR THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.**

Whole number of votes cast	79
Necessary to a choice	40

The following is the result of the vote :—

The Rev. W. LAWRENCE	1	Mr. JOHN S. BLATCHFORD	1
" C. L. HUTCHINS	1	" SAMUEL G. SNELLING	1
" G. Z. GRAY, D. D.	1	" DAVID P. CROCKER	1
" C. C. GRAFTON	1	" ROBERT T. PAINE, JUN.	2
" E. ABBOTT	1	" JOHN C. ROPES	4
" L. K. STORRS	1	" EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL. D.	72
" E. W. SMITH	1	" GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.	75
" J. T. MAGRATH	1	" EDWARD L. DAVIS	76
" J. C. BROOKS	1	" WILLIAM S. GARDNER	76
" E. M. GUSHEE	1		
" T. F. FALES	1		
" J. WRIGHT	2		
" C. H. LEAROYD	2		
" H. F. ALLEN	3		

The Rev. A. H. VINTON	3
" A. ST. JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, D. D.	10
" PERCY BROWNE	12
" T. R. LAMBERT, S. T. D.	60
" F. COURTNEY, S. T. D.	64
" P. BROOKS, D. D.	72
" GEORGE S. CONVERSE	75

Elected on the part of the Clergy:—

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	Mr. WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D.	" EDWARD L. DAVIS
" FREDERICK COURTNEY, S. T. D.	" GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, S. T. D.	" EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL. D.

Mr. THOMAS MAIR, for the Tellers of the Lay vote for the Standing Committee of the Diocese, reported as follows:—

REPORT OF THE TELLERS APPOINTED ON THE PART OF THE LAITY TO RECEIVE AND COUNT THE BALLOTS FOR THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

Whole number of votes cast	46
Necessary to a choice	24

The following is the result of the vote:—

Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, S. T. D., 42	Mr. GEO. C. SHATTUCK, M. D. 11
" GEO. S. CONVERSE 45	" E. L. DAVIS 66
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D. 43	" WM. S. GARDNER 46
" FREDERICK COURTNEY, S. T. D., 42	" EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL. D., 46
" A. ST. JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, D. D., 2	" WM. L. DAVIS 1
" A. C. A. HALL 1	
" E. M. GUSHEE 1	

THOMAS MAIR, *Chairman*.

Elected on the part of the Laity:—

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D.	" EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, S. T. D.	" EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL. D.
" FREDERICK COURTNEY, S. T. D.	" WILLIAM S. GARDNER.

There were therefore elected in concurrence the following:—

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.	Mr. EDWARD L. DAVIS.
" PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D.	" GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D.
" FREDERICK COURTNEY, S. T. D.	" WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" THOMAS R. LAMBERT, S. T. D.	" EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL. D.

The Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER, for the Committee on the Numerical Designation of the Meetings of the Convention, made the following Report:—

The Committee respectfully report that they recommend that on the cover of the Journal of this Convention the following be added after the word "Convention,"—"after the adoption of the Constitution in 1790, and the one hundred and first year after the organization of the Diocese,"

And on the title page proper of the Journal, after the words—"Diocese of Massachusetts," there be added the following, viz.:—"after the adoption of the Constitution in 1790."

The Report was accepted, and its Recommendation was adopted.

The SECRETARY presented to the President of the Convention the first volume of manuscript Records of the Meetings of the Convention of the Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

On motion of the Rev. EDMUND F. SLAFTER, the SECRETARY read from this volume the Journal of the Proceedings of the First Meeting, in 1784, of this Body, as follows:—

JOURNAL, 1784.

At a Convention of the Episcopal Clergy of the States of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, held at Boston, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, September 8, 1784.

PRESENT.

Rev. JOHN GREAVES, Providence.
 Rev. EDWARD BASS, Newburyport.
 Rev. MOSES BADGER, Newport.
 Rev. WM. WILLARD WHEELER, Scituate and Marshfield.
 Rev. STEPHEN C. LEWIS, Christ Church, Boston.
 Rev. NATHANIEL FISHER, Salem.
 Rev. SAMUEL PARKER, Trinity Church, Boston.

Rev. John Greaves, of Providence, was chosen Moderator. Rev. Nathaniel Fisher, of Salem, Secretary.

Voted, That Rev. Mr. Bass, Mr. Fisher, and Mr. Parker be a Committee and invested with power to summon this Convention to meet at such time and place as they shall judge most convenient, when the exigencies of the Church make it necessary, and that each clergyman propose to his congregation, to choose one of their number, as a Delegate, to attend said meeting, and that said Committee also write to the Wardens of those Churches that are destitute of a regular Clergyman, and propose to them to choose one of their number to represent them at said meeting.

A true extract from the Minutes of Convention.

Attest,

——— Secretary.*

*The signature of the Secretary is wanting.

The Rev. SUMNER U. SHEARMAN, for the Committee to make nominations to fill the vacancies in the Diocesan Board of Missions, made the following Report:—

NOMINATIONS TO BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Rev. C. H. LEAROYD.
 " HENRY L. FOOTE.

Mr. EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL. D.
 " EDWARD L. DAVIS.

The Report was accepted, and, on motion of Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., it was —

Resolved, That the rule requiring elections to be by ballot be suspended, and that the four persons nominated by the Committee be declared elected.

The Rev. LINDALL W. SALTONSTALL, for the Committee on Finance, made the following Report : —

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance ask leave to Report, —

That they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention for the past year, and find them correct and properly vouched for.

That they recommend an assessment be made, for the coming year, at one and one-half per cent. of the Rector's salary of the respective Parishes.

Also, with reference to the payment of Convention assessments by delinquent Parishes, that but eleven are delinquent, and in several cases investigated by the Committee every reasonable effort seems to have been made to secure prompt payment.

L. W. SALTONSTALL.
W. B. HURD.
WM. H. BENT

The Report was accepted, and its Recommendation was adopted.

The Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, for the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, made the following Report, which was accepted, and adopted : —

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred certain proposed amendments to the Constitution of St. John's Parish, Boston Highlands, beg leave to report : —

That in their judgment, as by Article XII., Section 2, of the Constitution of the Diocese, the original copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of a new Parish must be submitted to the Standing Committee of the Diocese for its approval, therefore any alteration of such Constitution and By-Laws should be submitted to said Committee, and that such alteration does not properly come before this Convention except in its appellate capacity, when the Standing Committee disapprove of the proposed alteration.

C. L. HUTCHINS, *For the Committee.*

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY, the Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, having been compelled by imperative parochial duty to return to his Parish, the SECRETARY asked permission of the House to appoint the Rev. WILLIAM G. WELLS Assistant Secretary *pro tempore*, which request, on motion, was granted.

On motion of the Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D. D., —

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be rendered to the Rt. Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, the Rev. Frederick Courtney, S. T. D., and

Mr. George C. Shattuck, M. D., for their exceedingly valuable and able Addresses, delivered in connection with the Centennial of the Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D. D., —

Resolved, That an appropriation of twenty-five dollars be made from the Diocesan Fund, for the expenses of the Registrar in securing and preserving documents.

The Rev. GEORGE S. BENNITT offered the following amendment to Article III. of the Constitution or By-Laws for Parishes, Recommended by the Convention :—

Appendix C, Page 207, of Journal of 1884:—

Article III., Line 6. After the word Vestrymen, place the words of the 8th, 9th, and 10th lines, "and they shall serve," etc., and omit them where they are, so that the third Article shall read:—

The Annual Meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter week, in such place as the Wardens and Vestry may appoint, for the choice by ballot of two Wardens, who shall be communicants in this Church, and who shall perform the duty of Assessors; a Treasurer, who shall be the Collector; a Clerk; and ——— Vestrymen; and they shall serve until the next Annual Meeting, and until others are elected and qualified in their stead.

All of the above-named officers and the Rector shall constitute the Board of Rector, Wardens, and Vestry, hereinafter denominated "The Vestry." The Wardens, Treasurer, and Clerk, shall be sworn. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall also be chosen at the Annual Meeting, in such manner as the members present may determine.

Which amendment was adopted.

The Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS called up the subject of the passage of the amendment to Section 2, of Article II., of the Constitution, as follows:—

That Article II. of the Constitution be amended by striking out all between the words, "session of the Convention" in (a), and the words, "And all other Clergymen" in (b), and inserting "twelve" instead of "three" before the words "months next preceding."

This amendment, having been approved by a majority of each Order at the previous Annual Session of the Convention (see pp. 94, 95, Journal of 1884), stands over for action upon it at this Annual Session of the Convention.

The CHAIR appointed as tellers for the Clerical vote :—

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT.

" ALBERT E. GEORGE.

" JOSHUA R. PEIRCE.

For the Lay vote :—

Mr. SAMUEL BACHELDER.

" DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph. D.

" MARTIN L. BRADFORD.

Each Order then voted separately, and by ballot, on the proposed amendment to Section 2, of Article II. of the Constitution.

On motion, —

Resolved, That when the House takes a recess it be till three and a half o'clock, P. M.

The House then took a recess.

THURSDAY, MAY 7, A.D. 1868.
THREE AND A HALF O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled.

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, from the tellers of the Clerical vote on the amendment to Section 2, of Article II. of the Constitution, made the following Report: —

The tellers appointed to receive, sort, and count the Clerical vote on the proposed amendment to Section 2 of Article II. of the Constitution, would respectfully report that 77 Clerical ballots were cast, of which 66 were in favor of and 23 against the amendment, and the amendment is therefore approved by a majority of the Clerical Delegates.

EDWARD ABBOTT.
ALBERT E. GEORGE.
JOSHUA H. PEIRCE.
Tellers.

Mr. DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph.D., from the tellers of the Lay vote on the amendment to Section 2 of Article II. of the Constitution, reported that 37 Parishes had voted, of which 28 were in favor of, and 14 against the amendment, and that, therefore, the amendment had been approved by a majority of the Parishes voting.

A majority of each Order voting separately, and by ballot, having approved the proposed amendment to Section 2 of Article II. of the Constitution, it became a part of the Constitution of the Diocese.

The Section, as amended, is as follows: —

SECTION 2. The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop shall each have a seat and vote in the Convention.

Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Convention, *provided*, that he has been canonically resident for at least twelve months next preceding the session of the Convention. And all other Clergymen, canonically resident in this Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership of this Convention, except the right to vote.

On motion,—

Resolved, That the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund be re-elected.

On motion,—

Resolved, That the Committee on Hospitality be re-elected.

On motion of the Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE,—

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing consist of the Secretaries of the Convention, and a third member to be appointed by the Chair, and that the Journal of the Convention be printed under its direction.

The Bishop appointed as the third member of this Committee, the Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE. The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, at his own request, having been excused from serving, Mr. HENRY M. LOVERING was appointed in his stead.

The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE presented the Annual Report of the Massachusetts Branch of the Church Temperance Society, which was received, and is as follows:—

MASSACHUSETTS BRANCH OF THE CHURCH TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.
THIRD ANNUAL REPORT, MAY, 1885.

The third year of the existence of a Society is always an important one, affording materials for estimating the hold which it has taken upon the public mind, and for judging of the probability of its future success. At the close of our third year we are able to feel encouraged in both of these respects.

It is true that the growth of our Society has been slow, and that it is not large, but still there has been a growth. It has become a recognized institution in the Diocese, and people are looking to it to accomplish something. Many are making enquiries with regard to it. In places where it seemed hopeless to think of any Temperance work in connection with our Church, the question is being asked whether it would not be well to organize a Branch of the Church Temperance Society. The Manual of the Massachusetts Branch has been approved and adopted by the Central Committee, and widely circulated, both in the United States and in Canada, bringing many letters of enquiry to the Secretary. In recognition of the action of Massachusetts in organizing and advancing the work of the Society, the Secretary of the Diocesan Society was, at the last annual meeting in New York, elected Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee.

We have then, a recognized existence; some work has been accomplished, and we have a future before us. Springing from the desire and word of the Bishop of the Diocese, and prospering under his hearty leadership the Society grows, and will, we doubt not, in time make its influence felt from Cape Cod to the Berkshire Hills.

Our local growth may be briefly stated. One very small Branch has ceased to exist, but its place has been more than filled by three others, of which one stands fourth on the list of Branches in numerical strength, and the other two are full of vigor.

The full list of Branches is—

Malden, St. Paul's, Oct. 6, 1881	. . . . .	54 members.
Worcester, All Saints', Jan. 16, 1882	. . . . .	111 "
Lawrence, Grace Church, Jan. 4, 1883	. . . . .	-

Boston, Good Shepherd, March 6, 1883	113 members.
Boston, St. Paul's, May, 1883	55 "
Boston, Mission Church of St. John Evangelist	188 "
Dedham, Good Shepherd, Sept. 4, 1883	33 "
Peabody, St. Paul's, Dec. 6, 1883	23 "
Arlington, St. John's, Dec. 20, 1883	15 "
Longwood, Our Saviour, Feb. 17, 1883	43 "
Waltham, Christ Church, 1884	46 "
Watertown	27 "
Haverhill	18 "
Methuen, St. Thomas's	1 "
North Cambridge, St. James's, Sep. 22, 1884	29 "
South Boston, Grace Church, Dec. 11, 1884	28 "
Worcester, St. Matthew's	35 "

Giving a total membership reported of 857. There are four active Juvenile Branches Mission Church, St. John Evangelist, Boston, 116, Christ Church, Waltham, 50, St. Paul's, Boston, 40, Good Shepherd, Boston, —; making with 129 members of the Diocesan Branch, a total of 1235 enrolled members in the Diocese, a gain of some 300 members in the year.

The reports from the various Parochial Branches show that while some of them have found it hard to keep up a sustained interest in the work, others are full of vigor, life, and hope. A great variety of methods of work is being developed, there being in this respect the utmost freedom to each Branch.

The Secretary of one Branch writes "We are trying to introduce a new feature into our Branch, in the way of mutual benefit, etc., to the working man, having the Working Man's Club idea prominent devoting part of our funds to the benefit of the members when sick, or out of employment." Another says, "After each meeting coffee and refreshments are furnished by the ladies of the Society. The meetings are largely attended and seem very popular." From another we hear of careful discipline, members who fail to keep their pledges being put on probation and visited in their own homes, and then being dismissed if they fail to come up to their word. The same Branch has had musical entertainments and lectures, which have been both instructive and enjoyable. They have also a separate meeting organized for working men. One of the newest of our Branches reports, "The meetings thus far have been very well attended, and a deep interest is manifested in the movement, so that we have every reason to be encouraged with the progress we have made."

Of course all is not smooth sailing. We hear for instance: "People hang back in a most unaccountable way, and a good many refuse to accept the principles of the Society, thinking it a compromise. We hope to be able to accomplish more during the next year, however. We have had our regular meetings during the year, and at times a good deal of interest." One Branch has for the present limited its membership to men, writing: "The Senior Branch is entirely at present composed of men, as we wish, in the near future, to unite on some possible political course in the Temperance Cause, and have thought it best temporarily to exclude women." All these reports show life and interest. We put these things first in our report because the efficient working and the large increase of Parochial Branches is the most important element of success. Other events, however, are worthy of notice.

The Annual Public Meeting was held in Horticultural Hall, Boston, on May 27, Robert Treat Paine, Jr. presiding, and the speakers being the Rev. W. Lawrence, of Cambridge; the Rev. Wilbur F. Watkins, D.D., of New York; the Rev. W. F. Nichols, of Hartford, Conn., and the Rev. Leighton Parks, of Boston. The Meeting was hearty as well as interesting, though the attendance was not worthy of the occasion. On the same day a most interesting Conference was held in the Chapel of St. Paul's Church, Boston, on the efficient working of Parochial Branches, Causten Browne, Esq., presiding, and addresses being made by the Revs. A. C. A. Hall, G. J. Prescott,

W. F. Nichols, John P. Reynolds, M.D., and the Secretary. A Children's Meeting was also held in Horticultural Hall, on Saturday, May 31.

The comparatively small attendance at the Annual Public Meeting was more than compensated for by the magnificent audience that assembled in Tremont Temple on Sept. 19, upon the occasion of the visit of the Lord Bishop of Rochester. The Temple has rarely been more crowded, and nothing could be more hearty and enthusiastic than the meeting, composed as it was of representatives of almost every Temperance and Total Abstinence Organization in the State. The Bishop of our Diocese presided, the speakers, in addition to the Bishop of Rochester, being the Hon. Alex. H. Rice, Judge Arnoux, of New York, and the Rev. Phillips Brooks, D. D., of Boston.

This great meeting produced a deep impression, and its influence has been widely felt beyond the limits of our own Church. The Society has become known, its double basis is being made a frequent topic of discussion and criticism, both favorable and adverse, and the Secretary of the Diocesan Branch has been invited to speak upon various Temperance Platforms in both City and the State. One incident is worthy of being noted:

Shortly after the above meeting, the Minister of one of the Unitarian Churches of Boston called on the Secretary, asking for information as to our principles and methods. The Unitarians, he said, had done little or nothing in Temperance work, and they would never throw themselves in with the present Total Abstinence and other organizations. He thought the liberal platform of our Society would meet their views and enable them to act. Having received all information and papers he went home, and has successfully organized a large Temperance Society in his own Church, the public papers showing that the "First Parish Church Temperance Society" has already entered with vigor on a crusade against the liquor traffic in its own vicinity. Times are changing in Boston when the Protestant Episcopal Church goes ahead, and the Unitarians follow in her wake!

The request for Sermons to be preached simultaneously throughout the Diocese was not very widely complied with, the season of the year being not favorable. It is proposed to defer making a similar request until next fall, to which time the Annual Public Meeting is also deferred. A strong effort made then may start us on a vigorous winter campaign.

The imperative need of the Society now is an Organizing Secretary, or Agent, who shall carry on and extend the work well begun. So strongly has the Executive Committee felt this, that they called a Conference of Rectors and Lay Representatives of Parochial Branches in the Diocese. At this Conference, and at the subsequent meeting of the Executive Committee, it was unanimously resolved to proceed at once to the appointment of such an officer if the means could be provided for three successive years. A Committee has been appointed to raise \$2,000 a year for three years, and to find a suitable man. One half of the required sum has been already promised, and the Committee confidently expect that a few weeks may see the remainder provided and the Organizing Secretary at work. Contributions towards this Special Fund are earnestly asked.

The work of such a Secretary will be to assist the Clergy and others by giving information about the Society and other Temperance work, to aid in forming Parochial Branches where there is opportunity for them, and in carrying them on when formed. He will represent our Church in much that is going on socially and publicly, and can undertake rescue work in connection with the Police Courts and Prisons. There may also be an opportunity for a Temperance Mission, or the opening of a Coffee House or Working-Men's Club. There will be no lack of employment for an efficient Agent.

Financially the Society is thoroughly solvent, our receipts during the year having been \$1,087.21, made up as follows: Annual Subscriptions, \$207; Donations, \$92; Contributions for Central Fund, \$30; Collections in Churches and at Meetings, \$293.56; Contributions of Branches, \$43.13; Sale of Publications, \$30.37; Contributions paid in for the Special Fund, \$200.18; and Balance from last year, \$90.97.

The expenditure has been for hire of halls for public Meetings, advertising, printing, etc., \$396.65; Contributions paid to the Central Fund, \$394.38, making a total of \$791.03, and leaving a balance in hand of \$496.15. Some other contributions have been sent from within the Diocese direct to the Central Committee in New York.

The Executive Committee in conclusion desire to thank all who have helped in the work of the Society during the past year, whether by giving of money, or by the more important work of speaking at the many meetings which have been held, and who are working diligently and faithfully in the various Parochial Branches. Their thanks are due especially to the various Branch Secretaries who have kindly furnished full reports of work done in the year by their respective organizations.

They again commend the Society to the efforts and prayers of the members of the Church. It is distinctly a religious work. Nothing has been more clear than the religious spirit in which it has been undertaken. This has much impressed the Diocesan Secretary and others who have attended the meetings of the Parochial Branches. All meetings are begun with prayer, and it is evidently felt that any meeting from which a religious element were left out, would not be worthy of the object which has brought the members together.

In a benevolent, philanthropic, but still more a religious work, we earnestly invite all Churchmen and Churchwomen to co-operate.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Executive Committee.

EDWARD OSBORNE, B. S. J. E., *Secretary*.

BOSTON, May 6, 1885.

On motion of Mr. GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., —

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be instructed to have printed extra copies of the Bishop's Address, extra copies of the Report of the Registrar, and an edition of the Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE, from the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, presented the following Report: —

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons has examined the case of Grace Church, Chicopee, and of its forfeiture of connection with the Convention and representation in the same, as presented in the Bishop's Annual Address, and reports that in its opinion, Section 5, of Article 12 of the Constitution, authorizes the Convention to re-admit Grace Church, Chicopee, into union with the Convention by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of each Order, if the facts of the case warrant such admission in the judgment of the Convention.

E. M. GUSHEE, *Chairman*.

The Report having been accepted, the Rev. JOHN S. BEES offered the following Resolution: —

Resolved, That the Parish of Grace Church, Chicopee, be re-admitted into union with the Convention.

This Resolution having been adopted by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of each Order, such re-admission was granted, to take effect from and after the close of this session of the Convention.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS offered the following substitute

for Article VI., of the Form of Constitution or By-Laws for Parishes, Recommended by the Convention:—

Substitute for Article VI. of "Form of Constitution, Recommended by the Convention,"

OF THE RECTOR.

The Rector shall be chosen by the Parish at a meeting called for that purpose. No person shall be eligible to the office of Rector unless he is a qualified Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church in good standing.

The Rev. GEORGE W. SHINN, D. D., offered the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That the Form of Constitution for new Parishes, and all amendments proposed, be referred to the present members of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to report to the next Convention.

The Rev. JOHN A. JEROME offered the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That the subject be laid on the table.

The vote on which being as follows:—

Ayes 29 Nays 60

The Resolution was not adopted.

On motion of Mr. ALEXANDER H. RICE, LL. D.,—

Resolved, That the proposed amendment, offered by the Rev. Mr. Parks, together with the whole subject, be referred to a special Committee of six, to report at the next meeting of the Convention.

The CHAIR appointed as such Committee,—

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD.
 " SUMNER U. SHEARMAN.
 " EDWARD ABBOTT.
 Mr. EDMUND H. BENNETT, LL. D.
 " CAUSTEN BROWNE.
 " DANIEL B. HAGAR, Ph. D.

On motion of the Rev. CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,—

Resolved, That the Committee be instructed to send a copy of the proposed draft of Article VI. of Form of Organization to the members of the next Convention, one week before the assembling of the Convention.

[For Form of Constitution or By-Laws for Parishes, Recommended by the Convention, see Appendix C.]

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP presented the following Minute of a Meeting, held September 8, 1884, to commemorate the

Organization of the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts:—

A MINUTE OF A MEETING HELD SEPT. 8, 1884, TO COMMEMORATE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

At a special meeting of the Eastern Convocation held on the feast of St. Barnabas, June 11, 1884, at the Church Rooms, Boston, it was resolved to observe the actual date of the first movement for organization of the Church in this Diocese, after the Revolution, September 8, 1784, by appropriate services.

The Rev. David Greene Haskins, D.D., the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, and the Secretary were appointed a committee to arrange an order of exercises, and to make the preparations necessary for the commemoration of the day.

It was the intention of the committee to hold a public service in one of the three oldest parishes in Boston, and to have an address on the history of the Diocese by the Bishop of Iowa.

As the day drew near, it became evident that the plan could not be carried out. It was thought, however, that it ought not to be allowed to pass without being observed in some way. An invitation to attend an informal meeting at the Church Rooms, Boston, was sent to the clergy of Boston and its vicinity.

At the appointed time, a goodly number of the clergy assembled at the Church Rooms. The meeting was called to order by the Rev. Dr. Shinn, and the Rev. Dr. Haskins was asked to preside. After prayers by the President, the Rev. Nathan K. Bishop was elected Secretary. Dr. Haskins then stated that he had made an earnest effort to perform the work entrusted to him by the Convocation, but had met with insuperable difficulties. He then called upon the Rectors of the two oldest Parishes in Boston, who were present, to address the meeting. The Rev. Dr. Brooks, Rector of Trinity Church, gave an interesting account of the great work done for the Diocese in its early days by one of his predecessors, the Rev. Dr. Parker, subsequently Bishop of the Diocese. He also spoke of the bright future of the Church, and of what must be done to enable it to realize its possibilities. The Rev. Mr. Munroe, Rector of Christ Church, then spoke of the part his Parish had taken in the religious and secular history of the State, and gave an account of the many interesting features of its ancient Church. The Rev. Mr. Munroe was followed by the Rev. Dr. Haskins, who spoke on the necessity of disseminating accurate information relating to the organization of the Church in New England, to remove certain popular misapprehensions.

After some discussion, it was decided, in view of the celebration of the Centennial Anniversary of the Diocese appointed by the Convention, that no further effort should be made by the Convocation to commemorate the event. The Convocation, however, subsequently arranged to hear the historical paper on "The Men and Measures of the Massachusetts Conventions, of 1784-85," by the Bishop of Iowa.

The undersigned, as Secretary, was instructed to prepare a minute of this 8th of September commemoration to be read at the next meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, and to go upon record upon its Journal if so ordered.

NATHAN K. BISHOP. *Secretary*

On motion of the Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S. T. D.,—

Resolved, That a vote of hearty thanks be given to the Committee on Hospitality for the admirable and efficient arrangements made by it for the accommodation, comfort, and entertainment of the members of the Convention; and of that portion of the Celebration of the Centennial of the Diocese committed to its care, and that

the Secretary be instructed to convey to the Wardens and Vestry of Trinity Church the thanks of this Convention for the use of the Church and Chapel during its sessions.

On motion,—

Resolved, That, after the reading of the minutes and action thereon, and the usual devotional exercises, the Convention adjourn.

The minutes were read, and approved.

After Prayer and the Benediction by the BISHOP, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

BENJ. H. PADDOCK,
President of the Convention.

Attest :

WM. HENRY BROOKS,
Secretary.

LEANDER C. MANCHESTER,
Assistant Secretary.

WM. G. WELLS,
Assistant Secretary pro tempore.

APPENDIX A.

EXTRACT

FROM

Canon 17 (Title I.) of the General Convention.

Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church.

SECTION 1. — As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church, or, if the parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his Parish or Church; also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the Communion alms, the contributions for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign, for Parochial Schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed, and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in the Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

I.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, ADAMS.

The Rev. HENRY HERBERT SMYTHE, *Rector*.

The Rev. JULIUS G. ERHARDT, *Assistant*.

JNO. S. ADAMS and LAWRENCE HAWORTH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 44; adults, 1; total, 45. Confirmed: English, 5; German, 12; total, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 115; total added, 129; died, 2; removed, 5; total lost, 7; present number English, 73; present number German, 110; total number, 183. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 24. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 173. Parochial school: Teachers, 2; scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$32,000; sittings, 300. Chapel: Sittings, 100. Sewing school: teachers, 4; scholars, 35.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$24. All current expenses, including Rector's Salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$120.62; pew rents, \$1,120.65; subscriptions, \$516.50; total, \$1,757.77. Sunday school, \$93; parochial missions, German (since Jan., 1885), \$150; increase and improvement of church property, \$370. Other parochial objects, viz.: Christmas, \$160; German offertory, \$60. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,614.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$15; erection of churches and chapels, special, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$20.

Total of contributions, \$2,634.77.

REMARKS.

This Report needs a word of explanation:—Work among the German population of Adams was commenced by St. Mark's, in the Summer of 1883. A service in German was held from that time, every second Sunday afternoon, until January, 1885, when the work had assumed such proportions that the Parish felt justified in calling an Assistant. Three or four generous supporters of the work immediately stood forward and guaranteed the money necessary for the maintenance of an Assistant Minister. The Rev. Mr. Erhardt entered upon his duties in February of this year. At this time the German portion of the Parish numbered in the neighborhood of 100 families and about 600 souls in all. This large addition to the members of the Parish accounts for the increase in the figures of the report. In previous reports no account of the work has been made. Hence the apparent increase in a single year. It properly represents the growth of two years and one-half.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, AMESBURY.

The Rev. LANGDON L. WARD, *Minister in Charge.*WALTER B. TITCOMB and JOSEPH FITCHFORTH, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms. Infants, 6, adults, 1, total, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 2, received, 1, total added, 3, died, 3; removed, 1, total lost, 4, present number, 75. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 8, scholars, 35. Church. Value, \$5,000, sittings, 240. School Building. Value, \$700. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish (this includes the "Dow" and the Kimbal Fund which is invested), \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$642.72. Collections in church, \$347.17, pew rents, \$322.60, donations, \$11; cash on hand, Easter, 1884, \$10.42, total, \$691.09. From Ladies' Guild towards liquidation of debt on steam heat, \$165.12, penny subscriptions towards liquidation of debt on steam heat, \$11.09, from Ladies' Guild towards carpet fund, \$23; sundries for church furnishing, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$910.30.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Offertery in aid of the conversion of the Jews, \$5, offertory in aid of Anna Jaques Hospital, Newburyport, \$7. Total for objects without the parish, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$28.12.

Total of contributions, \$961.42.

REMARKS.

During the past few months the progress of the Parish has been very encouraging. The congregation has been steadily growing, and a number of persons never before connected with the Parish have taken seats. The Lenten services were remarkably well attended. The time of preparation has been too short for an increase in the number of Communicants, but there is every prospect of a decided gain at the next Confirmation. A good amount of work has been done, especially by the Ladies' Guild, by whose efforts quite a sum of money has been raised. The larger part of the debt upon the steam-heating apparatus has been paid, and the remainder provided for. A beginning has been made upon a fund for a new carpet. The people are united, and there is every sign of interest and zeal in Church and Parish work.

GRACE CHURCH, AMHERST.

The Rev. SAMUEL SNELLING, *Rector.*HORACE WARD and ORSON G. COUCH, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms. Infants, 4, adults, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 16. Communicants. Admitted, 16; received, 11; total added, 27; died, 4, removed, 5; total lost, 9; present number, 103. Funerals, 14. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 41. Church. Value, \$45,000; sittings, 550. Chapel. Value (land), \$2,750; sittings, 200. Parsonage: Value, \$3,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$52,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aims at Holy Communion, \$252.69. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$381.10; pew rents, \$1,372.50, subscriptions, \$125.00; total, \$2,131.29. Increase and improvement of church property, \$257.96. Fund for a memorial window to be erected in the Chancel to the memory of the Rev. Dr. Parker, \$124.23. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,513.48.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$20; Convention Fund, \$15; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$7.76; memorial window in St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge, to the Rev. S. P. Parker, D. D., \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$67.76.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.08. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$25.20; missions among the colored people, \$7.23; Sunday school, offertory, devoted to children's bed in Fannie C. Paddock Memorial Hospital, Tacoma, W. T., \$10.40; church work among the Jews, \$3.85; total, \$46.68. Foreign Missions in general, \$8.81. Total for missionary contributions, \$75.57.

Total of contributions, \$2,656.81.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANDOVER.

The Rev. LEVERETT BRADLEY, *Rector*.

HORACE H. TYER and WILLIAM MARLAND, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 1; total, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 9; total added, 16; died, 1; removed, 13; total lost, 14; present number, 109. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 125. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$75.42. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$355.55; pew rents, \$83.87; subscriptions, \$966.50; investments, \$503.87; other sources, \$32.51; total, \$1,942.30. Sunday school, Christmas and Easter festivals, \$55. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,930.04. Girls' Friendly Society, \$12. Piano, \$213. Repairs on organ, \$116. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,343.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$81.92; Convention Fund, \$18. Total for objects without the parish, \$99.92.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.28. Domestic: Work among the Jews, \$5.06. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$18.23; to the McCall Mission, \$21.60; total, \$39.83. Total for missionary contributions, \$62.17.

Total of contributions, \$4,505.85.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

The Rev. CHARLES MORRIS ADDISON, *Late Rector*.

JOHN WALLACE SUTER, *Lay Reader*.

WILLIAM WILSON and T. B. COTTER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 1; total, 20. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 7; total added, 14; died, 1; removed, 21; total lost, 22; present number, 84. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 48. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 160. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$102.12. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$293.66; subscriptions, \$705.75; other sources, \$250; total, \$1,249.41. Sunday school, \$25. Increase and improvement of church property, \$265. Other parochial objects, \$235. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,876.53.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention fund, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions: Stated offerings, \$30.11; special offerings, \$10.50, total, \$30.61. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$6.18, through Sunday school, \$0.40, Church Society for promoting Christianity amongst the Jews, \$1.30; Ladies' Aid Society (through Woman's Auxiliary), box to Domestic Mission, \$100, St. Mary's Guild (children, and Sunday school, box to Domestic Missions, \$24.50, Sunday school, for Freedmen in South Carolina, \$4; Sunday school, for Dakota League, etc., \$0.60, Ladies' Aid Society (through Woman's Auxiliary), to Rev. Mr. Gardner, Jacksonport, Wisconsin, \$10, total, \$140.24. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$5.79; through Sunday school, \$0.40; total, \$6.19. Total for missionary contributions, \$186.04.

Total of contributions, \$2,074.57.

REMARKS.

The Rev. Chas. Morris Addison resigned the Rectorship of the Parish to take effect on Easter Monday, 1885. Mr. Carlton P. Mills, Lay Reader, has continued the services from that time.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ASHFIELD.

The Rev. GEORGE PUTNAM HUNTINGTON, *Minister.*

MOSES COOK and ADDISON G. HALL, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Adults, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 1; total added, 4; removed, 2, total lost, 2; present number (corrected list), 28. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4, scholars, 21. Church: Value, \$2,000, sittings, 200. Parsonage. Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$213.31; rent of rectory, \$75; total, \$288.31. Sunday school, \$1.50. Increase and improvement of church property, by Sewing Circle, \$3.86. Other parochial objects, \$5. Total for objects within the parish, \$296.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$5; Convention Fund, \$3.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$8.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions (\$7.00 from Sunday school), \$21.09; Domestic missions in general, for Indian work, \$11.41. Total for missionary contributions, \$32.50.

Total of contributions, \$339.92.

REMARKS.

The present minister took charge on the first Sunday in December last.

He has received valuable donations, as well as many thoughtful kindnesses, from all the parishioners.

A box for the Indian work was sent by the Sewing Circle to the Rev. Mr. Swift. Value, \$12.25.

In February an effort was begun, heartily endorsed by the Bishop, to obtain funds for thoroughly repairing the rectory. The sum of \$360 has been received from generous friends of the parish in Boston and New York, to be used for necessary repairs, and \$55 have been received for other improvements, and other sums are promised. The work has been begun, and will probably be finished before July. The men of the parish are giving their skill, time, and labor, so far as they can, to an extent which is equivalent in value to a large amount of money.

On April 29, the Parish Constitution, recommended by Convention, was adopted.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEVERLY.

The Rev. ROLAND COTTON SMITH, *Rector-elect*.

JOHN D. LOVETT and AUSTIN D. KILHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 2; total, 19. Confirmed, 3; Communicants: Admitted, 3; died, 1; present number, 67. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 80. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 210. Rectory Fund, \$2,350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,350.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,075; subscriptions, \$1,020; total, \$2,095. Sunday school, \$65. Christmas and Easter Festivals, \$50. Rent of parish room, \$80. Parish poor, \$5. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,295.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$28; Convention Fund, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$38.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$27; Domestic missions in general, \$6. Total for missionary contributions, \$33.

Total of contributions, \$2,366.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, BOSTON.

The Rev. CHARLES C. GRAFTON, *Rector*.

The Rev. EDWARD BENEDICT, *Assistant*.

GEORGE C. SHATTUCK, M. D., and FITCH EDWARD OLIVER, M. D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 37; adults, 19; total, 56. Confirmed, 36. Communicants: Admitted, 46; received or re-admitted, 101; total added, 147; died, 5; removed or lapsed, 36; total lost, 41; present number, 415. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 185.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$9,857.29. Sunday school, \$321.16. For improvement of altar and reredos, \$2,585.22. For the Sisterhood of the Holy Nativity, \$900. For the poor at Christmas, \$304.05. For the poor through alms boxes, \$241.67. Various, \$632.25; total, \$4,984.35. Total for objects within the parish, \$14,841.64.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Christian or theological education, \$4; Free Church Association, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$29.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$92. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$88.18; Indian and Home, \$80; Diocese of Fond du Lac, \$105.75; to mission churches in various parts of the country, through the Parish Guilds, \$382.71; total, \$656.64. Total for missionary contributions, \$748.64.

Total of contributions, \$15,619.28.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNITT, *Rector*.

HENRY M. SNELL and THOMAS MAIR, *Church-Wardens and Lay Readers*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 6; total, 20. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Present number, 165. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 103; total, 121. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 225.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH — Alms at Holy Communion, \$106.96. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$1,327.75, other sources, \$87.84, total, \$1,913.59. Sunday school, \$72.02. Increase and improvement of church property, \$691.45. Books, tracts, etc., \$23. Special for the needy, \$50. Ladies' Aid Society, \$35.36. Chancel Society, \$264.30. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,136.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$19. Christian or theological education, Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$11.00; American Church Building Fund, \$14.35, box to theological student, 68.87, church at Jacksonport, Wis., \$5, church in Houlton, Me., \$2, church in Salem, Va., \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$169.82.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$52.55. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$17.28, Church mission to the Jews, \$4.48, Sunday school offerings, Washington Territory, \$19.57, barrel, Rev. Paul C. Zotom, box, Rev. David Pendleton, \$62.76, Rev. Paul C. Zotom's house, \$100. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$15; Sunday school, \$4.52; Ladies' Aid Society, Africa, \$8.00. Total for missionary contributions, \$284.73.

Total of contributions, \$3,511.25.

REMARKS.

During the year we have completed an addition to the Church, thereby increasing the seating capacity, so that we can now accommodate about two hundred and twenty-five. We have also finished and furnished the basement of the Church with Sunday School and Parish Rooms, which adds greatly to our facilities for carrying on the work of the Parish.

Our communicants during the year have reached the number of 180, but of these 15 have just been set off to the Mission at Mattapan, now in successful operation under the Rev. J. T. Magrath.

Our outlook for the future is every way encouraging.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. MUNROE, *Rector*.

JOHN FOX and F. J. MUNROE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms Infants, 35, adults, 2, total, 37. Confirmed, 18. Communicants. Admitted, 18, died, 4; present number, 225. Marriages, 34. Funerals, 43. Sunday school Officers and teachers, 27, scholars, 225. Church. Value, \$30,000, sittings, 700. Estates. Value in all, \$28,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$58,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Collections in church, \$710; pew rents, \$300, fair, \$830.99; income from estates, \$1.905. total, \$3,746.99. Sunday School, \$186.31. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,932.30.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$50.

Total of contributions, \$3,982.30.

REMARKS.

A legacy, by the will of the late William A. Howard, of \$8,107.61, has been received during the past year. Mr. Howard was grandson of Mr. John Howard, Warden for many years of St. Peter's Church, Salem. He was a Communicant of the Church—an earnest Christian gentleman, celebrated for his general benevolence. This legacy

has been judiciously expended in repairing and beautifying this ancient church of Christ. Christ Church, as she now stands, is one of the most tasty and beautiful churches of our city.

We feel ourselves much indebted to Mr. Peter Baker, a Vestryman of St. John's Church, Charlestown, for his unselfish interest and earnest efforts in securing for Christ Church the legacy above mentioned. Christ Church, we are happy to say, is in a highly prosperous condition, and destined to accomplish a good work at the North End. Our Sunday school is larger than ever before in its history. One pleasing feature of the school is the Infant class, which now numbers about 70 scholars.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS, *Rector*.

JOHN HOGG and ANDREW G. WEEKS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 4; total, 13. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Total added, 52; total lost, 43; present number, 345. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers, teachers and scholars, 250. Parochial school: Teacher, 1; scholars, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$1,240.15. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$12,081.25; donations, \$1,696.60; investments, \$321.75; total, \$14,099.60. Sunday school, \$190.12. Parish library, \$101. Parochial missions, \$3,287.59. Parochial school, \$791.93. Increase and improvement of church property, \$150. Other Parochial objects, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$20,059.29.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$288. Convention Fund, \$97.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$133.40. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$492.27. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$361.63. Women's Free Hospital, \$128. Christian or theological education, \$300. Massachusetts Bible Society, \$274. Church Temperance Society, \$57.18. House of Good Samaritan, \$100. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, \$10. Church of the Good Shepherd, \$150. St. Anne's, \$50. Young Women's C. A., \$373. By Dorcas Society, \$999. Miscellaneous, \$200. Total for objects without the parish, \$4,013.48.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,076.81; Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl, \$200; Christ Church, Quincy, \$100; St. Anne's, Lincoln, \$75; by Sunday school, North End Mission, \$25.03; total, \$1,476.84. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$965; by Young Women's Guild, \$230.25; by Women's Missionary Department, \$1,217.11; by Sunday school, for Freedmen, \$43.19; by Sunday school, \$122.26; total, \$2,577.81. Foreign: Foreign Missions in general, \$989; by Young Women's Guild, \$7.80; by Women's Missionary Department, \$663; total, \$1,659.80. Total for missionary contributions, \$5,714.45.

Total of contributions, \$29,787.21.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE J. PRESCOTT, *Rector*.

JOHN D. W. FRENCH and ROBERT H. RICHARDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 46; adults, 8; total, 54. Confirmed, 23. Communicants, 280. Marriages, 28. Funerals, 32. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 202.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$602.45. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,908.15, subscriptions, \$125.75, donations, \$300, other sources, \$142.50; total, \$3,477.40. Sunday school, \$65.69. Other parochial objects, \$18. Through alms chest, \$32.17. Increase of Parish Funds, \$87.44. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,343.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$50.50, Convention Fund, \$30; Society for the relief of the widows and orphans of deceased clergymen of the Diocese, \$2; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$11.54. Total for objects without the parish, \$103.04.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$120.23. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$18.73; for Indians and freedmen, \$26; for the Jews, \$40, total, \$84.73. Foreign missions in general, \$38.12. Total for missionary contributions, \$243.08.

Total of contributions, \$4,689.17.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE HICKMAN BUCK, *Ministry*.

WILLIAM E. NILES, *Lay Reader*.

Baptisms. Infants, 24; Adults, 3, total, 32. Confirmed, 19. Communicants, present number, about 130. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 32. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 17, scholars 150, total, 167. Church and chapel. Value \$10,000, sittings, 350. Chapel. sittings, 125. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$125. All current expenses: Collections in church, \$698.04, donations for poor and Sunday school, \$92.90, other sources, \$35; total, \$825.94. Sunday school, \$60.23; Increase and improvement of church property, \$227. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,238.17.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$10. Easter offering of the Sunday school for the "House of the Good Samaritan," Boston, \$33.77. Total for objects without the parish, \$43.77.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$35.35. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$33.84; missions to the deaf-mutes, \$8.68; missions to the Jews, \$3.74. Total for missionary contributions, \$81.81.

Total of contributions, \$1,363.75.

REMARKS.

Four persons out of the above number confirmed were prepared by me as Chaplains of the "House of the Good Samaritan," Boston, and confirmed by the Bishop of the Diocese, on a visitation made by him September 25, 1884.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (MATTAPAN), BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN T. MAGRATH, *Minister in Charge*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 5; total, 10. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 5, removed, 3; present number, 28. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5, scholars, 36.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses: Offerings at the offertory, \$404.78. For Christmas festival, \$30. Easter offering for Prayer-Books and Hymnals for new church, \$42. Total for objects within the parish, \$476.78.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions (Sunday school, \$5), \$10.

Total of contributions, \$486.78.

REMARKS.

Services, preceded by Sunday School, have been maintained on the afternoon of the Lord's Day during the last two Conventional years. The Holy Communion has been celebrated monthly, and, during the Autumn and Winter, Cottage services have been held in different neighborhoods of the District. The numbers and the earnestness of the Congregation, on Sundays and week-days, have gradually increased.

No aid has been sought from the Board of Missions, from the fact that the voluntary offerings at the Offertory have thus far defrayed the current expenses of the work.

While the people have been endeavoring to help themselves, Almighty God has vouchsafed most wonderfully and bountifully to bless them.

He has moved the heart of a faithful daughter to purchase an attractive and commodious lot of land on the banks of the Neponset, and to erect thereon a beautiful Church of stone as a tribute of love and veneration to the memory of her father.

The Corner-Stone of the Church of the Holy Spirit, a Memorial to the late Benjamin S. Rotch, was duly laid by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by several of the Clergy, and in the presence of a large and deeply interested congregation, on Monday, the first day of December, A. D. 1884. The day was one of the loveliest of an unusually pleasant Autumn. As the eventide drew on, while the village street was still and the sound of the hammer ceased as the workmen with uncovered heads came near and mingled with the devout assembly, the memorials were deposited in the box, the stone with a plain cross engraved upon it was fitted into its place, and the words of consecration were spoken by the Bishop. As the last notes of the hymn,

"I love Thy Church, O God,
Her walls before Thee stand,"

died away, and the rays of the setting sun shed their benediction upon the peaceful scene, every heart felt that it was an hour of holy joy never to be forgotten — sweet harbinger of the day when we shall worship together in the Temple not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord; even so, saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BOSTON.

The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, *Rector*.

The Rev. MAXIMILIAN L. KELLNER, *Assistant*.

CAUSTEN BROWNE and A. J. GUSTIN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 3; total, 22. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 8; total added, 23; died 9; removed, 12; total lost, 21; present number about 330. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$35,000; sittings, 650. Chapel: Value, \$7,000; sittings 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$3,500.36. Sunday school, \$15.80. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,200. Christmas festival, \$184.25. Easter festival, \$125.25. For poor, \$375. By Sunday school, \$94.41. Total for objects within the parish, \$10,585.07.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$195. Convention Fund, \$30. Total for objects without the parish, \$135.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$248.28. Domestic missions in general: Ry Ladies' Aid Society, \$34.18. Foreign missions in general, \$44. Total for missionary contributions, \$326.44.

Total of contributions, \$11,046.51.

REMARKS.

Two boxes of clothing valued at \$40 each have been sent by the Ladies' Aid Society to Missionaries in Minnesota.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. REUBEN KIDDER, *Minister*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17, adults, 2, total, 19. Confirmed, 7. Communicants Total added, 27, died, 2; removed, 35, total lost, 37, present number, 110. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 28. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25, scholars, 200. Industrial school: Teachers, 18; scholars, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aids at Holy Communion, \$60.02. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, 371.57; subscriptions, \$27.38; sale, \$160; total, \$558.95. Sunday school, \$394.19. Total for objects within the parish, \$953.16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20.88. Domestic Domestic missions in general, \$17.36, box valued at \$35. Total, \$52.36. Foreign missions in general, \$4. Total for missionary contributions, \$77.24.

Total of contributions, \$1,030.40.

REMARKS.

The Park Commissioners having secured the land on Charles Street, where our Chapel stood, in June of last year we abandoned the building. It was bought by the Board of City Missions, torn down and re-erected at City Point.

The Reformed Presbyterian Church on Chambers Street rented to us part of their building, and there we have held our services since leaving Charles Street.

The name of the parish has been changed from Chapel of the Evangelists to St. Andrew's Church.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. JOSHUA R. PEIRCE, *Rector*.

ROBERT L. COPITHORN and J. HENRY BEAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 18; adults, 2, total, 17. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 10; total added, 20; removed, 20; present number about 116. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 10. Sunday School: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,493.29; from St. Ann's Guild, \$15.92; from social gatherings and entertainments, \$202.12. Sunday school, not including missionary offerings, \$53.48. Library case, etc., \$50. Christmas festival and decorations, \$75. Easter festival and decorations, \$32. Contributions for vestments for choir, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,971.81.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$29.20. Domestic missions in general, \$8. Foreign missions in general, \$8. Sunday School, Lenten and Easter offering for missions in general, \$45. Sunday school, quarterly missionary collections, \$6.80. Mission to the Jews, \$8.58. Total for missionary contributions, \$105.58.

Total of contributions, \$2,077.39.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above the ladies have sent to the Indian mission, two barrels of useful articles, the value of which, with the express, was \$52.

In October last, St. Ann's Mission was duly organized into a Parish under the statutes of Massachusetts, and in accordance with the rites and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and will, at the next meeting of the Convention, apply for union with the Convention. In the last report from St. Ann's as presented to the Convention in 1884, and so published in its Journal, there was an error by which the contributions were put down as \$402.28 in excess of what they actually were. The first item among the contributions is, "all current expenses, etc., \$1,919.85." It should have been \$1,515.59. Attention is here called to it, to prevent false conclusions which might be drawn by any one comparing the report of last year with the present. The inference would be that since the organization of the Parish there has been a falling off in the income; whereas more money has been raised than in any previous year, and the Parish has met all bills, and paid all salaries promptly, notwithstanding unusual expenses connected with organization and the loss of several families and their contributions.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH (ROXBURY), BOSTON.

The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, *Rector*.

EDMUND L. ROUSMANIERE, *Lay Reader*.

WILLIAM RAYMOND LEE and ATHERTON T. BROWN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 4; total, 13. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: present number about 300. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 200; total, 219.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$350. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$5,671.75. Sunday school, \$281.92. Increase and improvement of church property, \$4,894.96. Aid Society, \$150; Sunday school Fund, \$30.81. Christmas decorations, \$26. Music Fund, \$238.39. Employment Society, \$190.69. Miscellaneous, \$50. Special through Mrs. D. C. H., \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$11,984.52.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$90. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$57.76. General charity through Employment Society, \$116.19; general charity through Benevolent Society, \$309.64; general charity through Aid Society, \$100. Total for objects without the parish, \$673.59.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Within the Diocese: Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, 45.47, Diocesan Board of Missions \$45.30; total, \$90.77. Domestic missions in general, \$57.28, "Louise" scholarship Bishop Hare), \$60, Sunday school scholarship (Bishop Hare), \$60, St. Paul's School, Dakota, \$32.70, Children's Hospital, Omaha, \$53.50. Rev. Mr. Gardner, Jacksonport, Wis., \$17, Rev. O. St. James, Washington, D. C., \$15; Indian Missions \$32.33, total, \$377.81. Foreign missions in general, \$56.88, missions in China, \$60, total, \$116.88. Total for missionary contributions, \$583.46.

Total of contributions, \$13,243.57.

REMARKS.

St. Ann's Chapel, for many years a mission of St. James's, is now established as an independent parish under the Rectorship of the former Minister-in-charge, the Rev. J. R. Felce.

Through the energy of our Vestry, seconded by the willing help of the parish generally, our Church has been supplied with new pews and the whole interior re-decorated, while the special gifts of individual parishioners have added to its convenience and beauty. The parish was never, during my Rectorship, in so united and prosperous a condition as at present.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (CHARLESTOWN), BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILIP W. SPRAGUE, *Rector*.

GEORGE N. FISHER and FLORIMOND A. DOWNING, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 31, adults, 5; total, 36. Confirmed, 19. Communicants: Admitted, 17, received, 17, total added, 34; died, 3; removed, 6, total lost, 9, present number, about 350. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 31. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 33, scholars, 360. Church: Value, about \$40,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, about \$10,000; sittings, 300. Dwelling, value about, \$2,200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$52,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$56.84. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$3,994.75. Sunday school, \$291.16. Parish library, \$61.68. For relief and assistance of the poor of the Parish, by St. John's Guild, \$306.84. Gifts to Parish, about \$100. Total for objects within the Parish, \$4,801.27.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal fund, \$35. Convention fund, \$30. Children's Home, and Winchester Home, Charlestown, \$28.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$93.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$38.93. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$54.41, for Nebraska, \$6, Salmon Falls, \$9.63, for Jews, \$20, total, \$89.04. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$45; for Africa, \$5; total, \$50. Total for missionary contributions, \$177.97.

Total of contributions, \$5,072.74.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST BOSTON.

The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, *Rector*.

Baptisms. Infants, 12. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; present number, 100. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15, scholars, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,704.25; donations, \$13; other sources, \$21.60. Sunday school, \$200. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,938.85.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (HIGHLANDS), BOSTON.

The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, *Rector*.

The Rev. BENJAMIN SMITH SANDERSON, *Assistant*.

JOHN FORSYTH and JOHN MACCONNELL, M. D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 55; adults, 2; total, 57. Confirmed, 20. Communicants: Present number about 325. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 31. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 284.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms-chest and communion alms, \$80.39. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,473.04. For Christmas and Easter decorations, \$35.51. For Employment Society, \$41.64. For church bells, \$150. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,780.58.

FOR OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$75.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$52.24. Domestic: From the Sunday school, for scholarship in Indian mission, South Dakota, \$60. For the Jews, \$2. Foreign: For Dr. John Odin Memorial Hospital, Wuchang, China, \$30. Total for missionary contributions, \$144.24.

Total of contributions, \$2,999.82.

REMARKS.

The Missionary Chapter of St. John's Guild have sent a box of articles to West Virginia valued at \$65, one to the House of Rest, Charleston, S. C., valued at \$55, and one to Mrs. Brierly in Africa, valued at \$78.

The Employment Society has given work to 13 women.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (JAMAICA PLAIN), BOSTON.

The Rev. SUMNER UPHAM SHEARMAN, *Rector*.

JOHN W. MCKIM and E. B. SAMPSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 2; total, 14. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 18; total added, 29; died, 4; removed, 16; total lost, 20; present number, 278. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 23; scholars, 179. Church: Value, \$50,000; sittings, 520.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$216.32. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$223.54; pew rents, \$4,360.26; subscriptions, \$130; Sunday school, \$139.15; Christmas festival, \$40; Easter festival, \$101; Building Fund, \$7,698.71. Total for objects within the parish, \$12,908.98.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$87.50; Convention Fund, \$37.50; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of

the Diocese, \$25, Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$15; Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$25, St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$50; Christian or theological education \$67, erection of churches and chapels, \$30, House of Good Samaritan, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$352.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100. Domestic — Domestic missions in general, \$75, special for Bishop Hare, \$50; special for Bishop Whipple, \$50, special for Bishop Whitaker, \$15; total, \$190. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$75, for salary of Miss Bruce, \$10; for hospital in Tokio, \$10, total, \$95. Total for missionary contributions, \$385.

Total of contributions, \$13,645.96.

REMARKS.

The debt of \$15,000, incurred by building the new church, will soon be paid as the funds are virtually in hand to meet this indebtedness. Of this amount \$3,000 has been received from the sale of land belonging to the parish. The remaining \$7,000 has been obtained from parishioners. Of this last amount \$3,000 was the gift of a generous parishioner to whom the church owed that sum. The Parish Missionary Association has filed and sent away three boxes, the aggregate value of which, including freight charges, was \$193.70.

MISSION CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, BOSTON.

The Rev. ARTHUR C. A. HALL, *Minister*.

The Rev. EDWARD W. OSBORNE, *Assistant*.

Baptisms: Infants, 76; adults, 19; total, 95. Confirmed, 35. Communicants: Total added, 81, died, 11; removed, 13; total lost, 24; present number, 471. Marriages, 36. Funerals, 44. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, 245. Colored Mission school: Teachers, 14; scholars, 119.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$4,925.90; alms-boxes, \$218.37, special gifts, \$171; total, \$5,315.27. Sunday school, \$221.54. St. Augustine's Colored Mission School, \$112.43. For the poor, \$547.11. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,196.35.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$41.61. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$53.87. Christian or theological education, \$507.30. Erection of churches and chapels: Duxbury, Mass., \$55.95, Gardner, Mass., \$22.25; St. Margaret's Sisters, \$619.08; School for Indian girls, New Westminster, \$134.89, Church Temperance Society, \$55.32; Associated Charities of Boston, \$89.13; St. Mary's Orphanage, Lowell, \$41.61; St. Mary's Orphanage, East Providence, \$41.61; House of the Good Samaritan, \$48.87; All Saints' Hospital, Kansas City, \$22. Massachusetts Home for Intemperate Women, \$38.51. Country Week, \$118.43. Personal, \$7. Total for objects without the parish, \$1,807.43.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$355.96. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$45; Salmon Falls, N. H., \$25; St. Cyprian's Washington, D. C., \$15; Winona, Min., by the Girls' Friendly Society, \$110; Bridgetown, N. S., \$10, missions to the Jews, \$40.35; Indian missions, \$16.32; Dakota League, \$61.60, total, \$323.27. Foreign: Board of Missions, \$24.11; Hospital at Tokio, Japan, \$70; Sunday school contributions, \$51.37, total, \$145.48. Total for missionary contributions, \$524.71.

Total of contributions, \$8,918.49.

REMARKS.

The Minister in charge of this Mission Church has been absent from August until the present time on account of ill-health. He hopes to resume work in the fall of the year.

The work of the Mission has been carried on by the Assistant Minister with the help of the Rev. H. M. Torbert, Priest of the Diocese of New York, and also for a time of the Rev. C. E. Gardner and the Rev. W. H. Longridge, both of England.

The Colored Mission School, formerly known as St. Philip's, we now call St. Augustine's Mission. One hundred and nineteen colored children are in attendance, and regular Sunday Evening Services are carried on by one of the clergy. It promises, by God's blessing, to become a permanent and useful work. The colored people are beginning to be much interested in it, ten out of fourteen teachers being colored communicants of the Church.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH (BRIGHTON), BOSTON.

The Rev. AUGUSTUS PRIME, *Rector*.

JOHN H. STURGIS and CHARLES P. GARDINER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 4; total, 19. Confirmed, 24. Communicants: Admitted, 26; Received, 17; total added, 43; died, 5; removed, 11; total lost, 16; present number, 132. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 57. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$9,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,289.60. Sunday school, \$17.20. The poor, and sick, Christmas and Easter decoration, \$43.19. St. Margaret's Sewing Society, \$48. Total for objects within the Parish, \$1,397.99.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$21. Convention Fund, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$33.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$31.60. Domestic missions in general, \$38.46. Foreign missions in general, \$0.64. Total for missionary contributions, \$70.70.

Total of contributions, \$1,501.79.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, *Rector*.

RUFUS W. FROST and ALBERT K. BROWN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 18; total added, 22; died, 4; removed, 30; total lost, 34; present number, 214. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$125.92. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$1,394.46; donations, \$250; other sources, \$600.20; total, \$2,244.66. Sunday school, \$40.13. Other parochial objects, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,460.71.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions in general, \$5.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$15.50.

Total of contributions, \$2,478.21.

REMARKS.

The evils which come from the instability of Church connection are seriously felt in this parish. A community once stable and substantial is now largely supplanted by the transient population of a great boarding-house quarter. This social change at the South End, while it has not diminished, but rather increased, the necessity and burden of Church work in this closely inhabited part of the city, has yet made it greatly more difficult to maintain by reason of the constantly diminishing financial ability and pecuniary responsibility of the congregation. With these growing discouragements the work at St. Mark's has been carried on during the past year, yet those who continue to hope and to labor here in the Master's cause, are full of anxious thought how the work is to be continued, and the Church be spared the reproach of deserting those for whom she is especially bound to care.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (DORCHESTER), BOSTON.

The Rev. LINDALL WINTHROP SALTONSTALL, *Rector*.

— and —, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 1, total, 3. Communicants Present number, 778. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 72.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aids at Holy Communion, \$526.06. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$412.50, pew rents, \$1,828.76; subscriptions, \$390.18, donations, \$778.10; other sources, \$920; total, \$4,924.60. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,844.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$15.49.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$37.85. Domestic missions in general, \$244.74. Foreign missions in general, \$84.20. Total for missionary contributions, \$366.79.

Total of contributions, \$5,226.97.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH (FOR SAILORS), BOSTON.

[No Report.]

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. JOHN WRIGHT, *Rector*.

The Rev. ALFRED FOSTER WASHBURN, *Assistant*.

DAVID CLAPP and HENRY W. NELSON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 74, adults, 7; total, 81. Confirmed, 13. Communicants. Admitted, 13, received, 15, total added, 28; died, 8; removed, 10; total lost, 18; present number, 413. Marriages, 26. Funerals, 46. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 300. Church Value, \$35,000, sittings, 650.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$257.10. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$920; pew rents, \$1,875; donations, \$386; other sources, \$50; total, \$3,231. Sunday school, \$279. St. Matthew's Chapel Sunday school, \$24.23. Offerings at St. Matthew's Chapel, \$425 78. Increase and improvement of church property, by Benevolent Society, \$669. Rector's Bible Class, \$125. Young Men's Social Union, \$33. Memorial tablet to Rev. Dr. Clinch, \$100. Benevolent Society, for various objects, \$48.47. Bible Class Association, \$30. Private gifts, for furnishing chancel, \$34.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,257.08.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$70. Convention Fund, \$30. Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$13. Total for objects without the parish, \$113.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.23. Domestic: Jewish missions, \$7.50; Church in Jacksonport, Wis., \$11.40; Church in Beaufort, S. C., \$2; Indian missions, \$17.80; total, \$38.70. Foreign: "Rosa Nicholson" bed in China, \$30; "John Wright" scholarship in Jaffa, \$25; "Joseph H. Clinch" scholarship in Africa, \$25; total, \$80. Total for missionary contributions, \$128.93.

Total of contributions, \$5,498.01.

REMARKS.

The past year has had its encouragements. Removals from the parish have not been as numerous as in 1883, and there has been an increase in the number of communicants. Nearly eight hundred dollars have been expended upon the improvement of the Church building, and all debts have been paid. The young men have organized a Society for parish work and social interests, and have a large membership. Several friends of the late Rev. Dr. Clinch placed at Easter a brass tablet upon the wall of the chancel, as a tribute to his memory. The report of St. Matthew's Chapel as herein given does not include the whole year, but up to February 1st. On that date the Chapel passed into the hands of the Episcopal City Mission, and the records from the date named are separated from those of the parent Church. The City Mission has erected an attractive building on Fourth Street, near N, City Point, and the Church will be ready for occupancy on the 13th of this month.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHAPEL OF THE EPISCOPAL CITY MISSION, SOUTH BOSTON.

The Rev. ALFRED FOSTER WASHBURN, *Minister in Charge*.

Until Feb. 8, 1885, the record of baptisms, marriages and funerals forms a part of the yearly record of St. Matthew's Parish, in the annual report of which will also be found the amount of contributions from both the Sunday school and the Services of the Chapel.

From Feb. 8, 1885, to May 6, 1885, the record of St. Matthew's Chapel, kept in its own "Parish Register," is as follows: —

Baptisms, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school, Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, about 95.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

For Chapel use, \$35.38; Shoe Fund, \$2.61; Diocesan Missions, \$3.38; Jewish Missions, \$3; total, \$44.37. Offerings from the Sunday school (including sale of lesson books): For Chapel use, \$5.90; Lenten offering, Mormon school at Logan, Utah, \$6. total, \$11.90.

Total of contributions, \$56.27.

REMARKS

During the past Convention year, and for several years previous, we have been worshipping in a private hall at City Point, owing to the generosity of the owner. A handsome Church edifice has been erected for this work by the Episcopal City Mission during the past few months, on suitable land purchased by this same body last fall. The building is approaching completion, and the Bishop of the Diocese has appointed Wednesday evening, May 13, 1886, for the opening services in the new Chapel.

The *Chapel Fund*, accumulated by the workers of the Chapel for years past, through offerings, sales, entertainments, etc., amounts now to nearly \$1,200.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. FREDERICK COURTNEY, S. T. D., *Rector*.

EDMUND H. BENNETT and JOSEPH W. WOODS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 31, adults, 1; total, 32. Confirmed, 15. Communicants, Admitted, 15; received, 19, total added, 34; removed, 3, total lost, 3; present number, 264. Marriages, 16. Funerals, 18. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 25, scholars, 163. Church: sittings, 860. Chapel: sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$350,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion and collections for Church poor, \$1,269.63. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Rectory Fund, \$2,232.37; pew rents and taxes, \$12,927.41; investments, \$753.61; other sources, \$900, total, \$16,800.99. Sunday school, \$439.22. Parochial missions, \$2,983.93. Increase and improvement of Church property, \$1,066.04; Church Temperance Society, \$173.99; Industrial Society, \$423. Advisory Board, \$156.46; for Easter and Christmas festivals, \$439.12. Total for objects within the Parish, \$23,793.39.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$59.16. Convention Fund, \$120. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$88.14; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$273.66, Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$197.71. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$245.37, Christian or theological education, Women's meetings, etc., \$129. Boston Children's Friend Society, \$25; National Divorce Reform League, \$25, Girls' Friendly Society, \$66.48. Total for objects without the parish, \$1,219.52.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the Diocese. Episcopal City (Boston) Mission, \$29.37, Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,456.17, Church at Brockton, \$100, at Canton, \$20; at Somerville (Communion service) \$172.50; at Gardner, \$100; work of Rev. G. S. Converse, \$250; Mission work at Sandwich, \$50, total, \$2,178.54. Domestic. Domestic missions in general (through Ladies' Domestic Missionary Society of St. Paul's Church), \$337.34, All Saints' Hospital, Kansas City, \$200; Work of Bishop J. Hobart Brown, Fond du Lac, \$15; of Bishop J. A. Paduock, Washington Territory, \$100; of Bishop Knekerbacker, Indianapolis, \$100; of Bishop Quintard, Tennessee, \$100; of Bishop Whipple, Minnesota, \$237, of Mrs. W. P. Metcalf, Coos Bay, \$50, of Rev. W. N. Webb, Halifax C. H., Va., \$50, of Rev. Giles B. Cooke, Petersburg, Va., \$50, of Rev. O. St. James, Washington, D. C., \$50, for the Freedmen, \$105; for Girls' School, Sioux Falls, Dakota, \$200, Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$128.89; Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes, \$74.40, total, \$1,817.63. Foreign. Foreign missions in general, \$642.92, Scholarship at Cape of Good Hope, \$25; Missionary in India, \$400, Mexico, \$80, China, \$50; total, \$1,197.92. Total for missionary contributions, \$5,194.09.

Total of contributions, \$30,166.99.

REMARKS.

The Mission work carried on from 6 Tyler Street (St. Paul's House), is now under the charge of Sister Julia, a Deaconess received from the Diocese of Central New York. A House Committee has control and exercises general management, and a Day Nursery Committee attends to that important Department. The experiment of a Working-men's Club and Reading Room has been tried during a portion of the past winter with gratifying and encouraging results.

TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON.

The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., *Rector*.

The Rev. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN and the Rev. REUBEN KIDNER, *Assistants*.

CHARLES HENRY PARKER and CHARLES R. CODMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 35; adults, 14; total, 49. Confirmed, 55. Communicants: Present number, about 1,000. Marriages, 27. Funerals, 46. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 60; scholars, 565. Sewing school: Teachers, 30; scholars, 200. Industrial classes in sewing, mending, cooking, housekeeping, etc., at Trinity House: Scholars, 160. Day Nursery, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$2,963.97. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$25,760. Sunday school, \$365.23. Increase and improvement of Church property, \$800. Charitable societies of the parish, \$4,117.80. Trinity House (including rent and taxes, \$800), \$3,269.20. Trinity Church Visiting Society, \$1,453.21. For Christmas and Easter festivals, \$640. For Sewing school, \$213.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$39,582.91.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$2,183.78; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$505; Massachusetts Bible Society, \$760; Temporary Home for Destitute Children, \$230; Miscellaneous, \$980. Total for objects without the parish, \$4,659.08.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$1,716.45. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$1,693.25; Freedmen and Indians, \$1,759; Sunday school and Bible classes, to Domestic Missions, \$660; total, \$4,112.25. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$5,585.25; Sunday school and Bible classes, for Foreign Missions, \$560; Miscellaneous, \$700; total, \$6,845.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$12,673.95.

Total of contributions, \$56,915.94.

REMARKS.

The work at St. Andrew's Church (formerly known as the Chapel of the Evangelists), under the charge of Trinity Church, will be reported by the Rev. Reuben Kidner, Assistant Minister.

TRINITY CHURCH, BRIDGEWATER.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

JOHN W. BURT, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 2; total, 11. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 60. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 64. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 224. Parsonage; Value, \$2,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$876.72, subscriptions, \$120.37; investments, \$130; total, \$1,835.09. Increase and improvement of church property, \$4,505.19. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,140.28.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$5.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$55.53.

Total of contributions, \$6,200.81.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROCKTON.

The Rev. SAMUEL HODGKISS, *Missionary*.

ALEX. F. BURDON and CHARLES LAWTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 3; total, 12. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received 4, total added, 16; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 52. Marriages, 6. Funerals 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8, scholars, 60. Chapel: Value, \$1,200; sittings, 140. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.85. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$925. Total for objects within the parish, \$943.85.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$26. Domestic: Box of clothing, \$15. Foreign missions in general: Sunday school penny collections, \$4. Total for missionary contributions, \$45.

Total of contributions, \$988.85.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLINE.

The Rev. LEONARD KIP STORES, *Rector*.

THOMAS PARSONS and CLEMENT K. FAY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; died, 5; present number, 300. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers 18; scholars, 160.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$582.38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$706.12; pew rents \$4,669.51, donations, \$50, investments, \$12.70. Total, \$5,528.33. Sunday school, \$45.37. Increase and improvement of church property, \$234. Poor at Thanksgiving, \$83.14. Sunday school Christmas tree, \$08.17. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,009.32.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$241. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Bible Society, \$50. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$250. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$300. Episcopal Church Association Boston, \$30. Christian or theological education, \$75. Ladies' Work Society, \$175. Girls' Friendly Society, \$34.82. Total for objects without the Parish, \$1,103.32.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. Diocesan Board of Missions, \$480.52. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$1,312.74, Special: to Bishop J. A. Paddock, \$1,000, to

Church in Louisiana, \$15; to Bishop Elliott, \$100; Mexico, \$20; Jews, \$31.81; total, \$2,479.55. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$1,120.01; special to Africa, \$10; Sunday school, for scholarship in China, \$50; total, \$1,180.01. Total for missionary contributions, \$4,140.48.

Total of contributions, \$11,943.19.

REMARKS.

On Easter Day a most generous gift of money was made to the parish, sufficient to build a rectory, which is to be a memorial to our late Senior Warden, Mr. Henry Savage Chase. His children were the donors. Negotiations are now being made for land, and it is hoped that the house will be completed and occupied by next Easter.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, EAST CAMBRIDGE.

[Rectorship Vacant. — No Report.]

CHRIST CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. JAMES FIELD SPALDING, *Rector*.

GUSTAVUS TUCKERMAN, *Lay Reader*.

SAMUEL BATCHELDER and JAMES GREENLEAF CROSWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 20. Confirmed, 22. Communicants: Admitted, 28; received, 16; total added, 44; died, 7; removed, 16; total lost, 23; present number, 259. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 150. Church: Value, \$40,000; sittings, 450; Chapel: Value, \$2,500; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$7,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$65,900.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$195.46 All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,893.42; subscriptions and donations, \$3,157.16; investments, \$856.28; other sources, \$235; total, \$7,141.86. Sunday school: Offerings for current expenses, \$19.24. Increase and improvement of church property, \$505.32; special offerings for the poor of the parish, \$79.21; Children's Christmas Festival, \$64.47; decorations, chiefly at Christmas and Easter, \$59.21; Special offerings for parochial objects, \$15. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,079.77.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$60. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund, (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$8.82. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$100. Cambridge Hospital (of which \$25 was from the Sunday school), \$185. Total for objects without the parish, \$391.32.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions (of which \$15.66 was towards last year's deficiency of the Board), \$128.20; Church Temperance Society, \$23; work of the Eastern Convocation, \$20.69; total, \$171.89. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$16.21; Indian missions, \$2.00; missions to colored people, \$5; Church Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$14.19. From Parish Missionary Society towards building a Church in Jacksonport, Wis., \$15. Box from Parish Missionary Society to Lower Brulé Mission, Dakota, valued at \$95. Total, \$147.40. Foreign: Foreign missions in general \$25.61; towards the Rev. Mr. Tyng's life insurance, \$12.50; Apthorp School, Japan (from the Sunday School), \$10; total, \$48.11. Total for missionary contributions, \$367.40.

Total of contributions, \$8,838.49.

REMARKS.

On All Saints' Day, 1884, the parish received from Mrs. Lucy W. Dexter the gift of a handsome pulpit, as a memorial to her late husband, Mr. George Dexter, for many years a prominent parishioner and parish officer of Christ Church.

ST. JAMES'S PARISH, CAMBRIDGE.

(Including St. James's Church, Cambridge, and St. James's Chapel, Somerville.)

The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT, Rector.

JOHN W. BUTER and ALBERT S. PILLSBURY, Lay Readers.

CHARLES R. WOODS and JOHN A. DODGE, Church-Wardens.

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 10; total, 31. Confirmed, 24. Communicants. Admitted, 25; received, 17, total added, 42; died, 2; removed or disappeared, 24, total lost, 26; present number, 176. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 11. Church Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 120. Chapel Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 63. Church. Value, \$2,000; sittings, 225. Chapel: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 150. Parish House: Value, \$4,000. New Church Lot, \$7,000. New Chapel Lot, \$900. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$21,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aims at Holy Communion, \$31.50. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory at the Church, \$2,161.70; offerings at the offertory at the Chapel, \$237.81, total, \$2,399.51. Church Sunday school, \$67.93. Chapel Sunday school including Guilds, \$56.49. Christmas festivals, \$58. Parochial Temperance Society, \$18.90. Increase and improvement of church and chapel property, \$4,018.56. The poor, \$68.70. The choir, \$48.15. Parish House earnings, \$57.50. Convocation, \$48.24. St. James's Journal, \$23.44. Parish Burial Lot, \$25. Miscellaneous, \$99. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,033.02.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$14. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Cambridge Hospital, \$60. Boston Young Women's Christian Association Home, \$63. Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$15. Total for objects without the parish, \$174.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions (5 collections), \$84.71. Missions in general (Special Lenten Offerings), \$37.29. Domestic missions in general, \$145.83. Foreign missions in general, \$225.55. Total for missionary contributions, \$493.38.

Total of contributions, \$7,700.90.

REMARKS.

By a mistake in the printing of the report from this parish in the Journal of last year, the total number of communicants was made only 100. It should have been 160. The figures given above show the correction.

The important events in the outward history of St. James's Parish the past year, have been the purchase by the Rector, in trust for the Parish, with funds raised in the Parish and among its friends outside, of two valuable pieces of real estate for future use. The new Chapel lot, 8,000 square feet, is at the corner of Broadway and Clarendon Avenue, Somerville, at the very crown of Clarendon Hill; elevated, conspicuous, slightly, well surrounded, and ample for all the eventual needs of this end of the Parish. The cost was \$800, of which \$300 remains on mortgage. When fully paid for it is designed to move the Chapel to its new site. The new Church lot, 13,302 square feet, is at the corner of North Avenue and Beech Street, North Cambridge,

adjoining the present churchyard, and is the most commanding building-site on the Avenue above Porter's Station. The cost, not including a concession of \$400 by the owner, was \$6,600; of which \$3,600 was paid down, leaving \$3,000 on mortgage. The prospective necessities of the Parish at this point, in the not very distant future, make this acquisition one of great value and importance.

The Parish House has now been in constant and varied use for more than a year, and has proved so useful in promoting church life and work, as to make us wonder how we ever got along without it.

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE.

(Chapel of the Episcopal Theological School.)

The Rev. GEORGE ZABRISKIE GRAY, D. D., *Dean.*

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 23. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 6. Communicants, 170 (besides students and others not recorded). Sunday school: Officers, 15; scholars, 90.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Expenses (no salary paid by the worshippers), \$1,774.63. Bishop's salary, \$50. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$55. Theological education, \$511.40. Cambridge Hospital, \$240. The poor, \$70.75. Total, \$2,701.78.

MISSIONARY OFFERINGS.—Diocesan Missions (through the Diocesan Board, \$210; directly, \$80), \$290; Domestic missions, \$507.78; Indian, \$153; Freedmen, \$50; Jewish, \$17.25; Foreign, \$360.79; total, \$1,378.82.

Total of contributions, \$4,080.50.

(Of the above, the Ladies' Missionary Society raised \$629.46, and the Sunday School \$37.23.)

REMARKS.

This Chapel, being open to the public after that provision is made, under the terms of its gift, for professors and members of the School and of the University, is attended by a considerable number of people, as is above indicated. They bear all expenses, by subscriptions and by the offertory, and contribute generously to Church and charitable causes. Although the congregation has no parochial organization, and no connection with the Convention, these are given to the Bishop, with the report of the Dean, to complete the statistics of the Church in the Diocese. For such work as is done by the Dean and his associates in connection with the Chapel services, beyond relations with the School and University, authority was given by the Bishop and Standing Committee at the time of the erection of the edifice, in 1867.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

The Rev. EDWARD MANNING GUSHEE, *Rector.*

EDWARD R. COGSWELL, M. D., and WILLIAM W. DALLINGER, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 1; total, 15. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11; received, 7; total added, 18; died, 4; removed, 13; total lost, 17; present number, 309. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 21. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 26; scholars, 173.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, \$101.04, all current expenses, including Rector's salary, through offerings at the Offertory and donations, \$3,561.29; Sunday school, \$17, increase and improvement in church property, in choir room, \$62; individual donations for charities, \$11.50; industrial donations for charities, \$21.56; donations through Altar Society, \$32.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,745.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$16.25; Convention Fund, \$30; relief of a clergyman, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$51.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$95. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$13 08, for Rev. Philip McKim, Illinois, \$15; St. James's Colored Church, Washington, \$5; Bishop Tuttle, mite-chest contents, \$8.42; a barrel of clothing to Rev. Mr. Ashley, for Indians, \$65; a barrel of clothing to Mrs. Payne, for Freedmen, \$35; total, \$128.93. Foreign. For Japan, \$12. Total for missionary contributions, \$348.50.

Total of contributions, \$4,045.60.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, CHELMSFORD.

The Rev. J. JEWETT CRESSEY, *Rector*.

CHARLES D. CLAREN and S. RUSSELL KETCHEN, JR., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 3. Communicants. Admitted, 3; present number, 45. Marriages, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5, scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$3,767, sittings, 125. Parsonage. Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,767.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the Offertory, \$233.54; donations, \$21; other sources, \$91.91; total, \$346.45. Increase and improvement of church property, through Guild, \$61.28. Total for objects within the parish, \$407.73.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Clergymen's Retiring Fund, \$3.00.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$9.00.

Total of contributions, \$423.33.

REMARKS.

The usual number of visitors the past Summer have failed to make their appearance. The offerings have been less on this account. The interest still continues among the members of the Parish.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHELSEA.

The Rev. ANDREW GRAY, *Rector*.

G. M. GOLDING and E. P. CONNOR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 44; adults, 3; total, 47. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 17; received, 3; total added, 20; died, 6; removed, 11; total lost, 17; present number, 183. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 41. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 171. Church: Value, \$16,000; sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, alms-chest, etc., \$104.91. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$393.96; pew rents, \$1,068.55; donations, \$16.44; investments, \$90; other sources (societies), \$649.67; total, \$2,218.62. Sunday school, \$100.19. Increase and improvement of church property, \$56. Special, \$41.45. Labor on church furniture, etc., donated, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,571.17.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$3.63.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15; convocation, \$8.53; expenses of missionary meeting, \$2.30; total, \$25.83. Domestic: Nebraska, \$6; Colored Mission, Washington, \$3; total, \$9. Foreign: Mexico, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$39.83.

Total of contributions, \$2,614.63.

REMARKS.

A year ago we had to report an unusually large number of deaths, viz., 47. During the past year we have sustained heavy losses from the same cause, 41 having been removed from us, we trust, to the rest and bliss of Paradise. We have suffered, too, by the removal of some valued families from our midst, reducing our number of parish workers. Others, however, have come to us and are identifying themselves with us, so that there is no falling off in the numbers attending the Sunday services. But we feel the loss of valuable and earnest workers, who have removed, or who have been removed from us.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, CHERRY VALLEY.

The Rev. HENRY HAGUE, *Missionary*.

Baptism: Infant, 1. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Received, 2; total added, 6; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 29. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$5,500; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$220.82; other sources, \$126.42; total, \$347.24. Sunday school, \$20. New Church, \$5,500. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,867.24.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic, \$1. Foreign, \$1. Total for missionary contributions, \$12.

Total of contributions, \$5,879.24.

GRACE CHURCH, CHICOPEE.

The Rev. JOHN C. BROOKS, *acting as Minister in Charge*.

DANIEL D. ADDISON, *Lay Reader*.

JOHN T. LYON, *Clerk*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants, estimated number 51, of whom 35 have recently communed. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 45. Church, in process of restoration: Value, when completed, \$3,000; sittings, 220. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

All current expenses, including Lay Reader's salary: Offerings at the offertory, from January 16th, \$141.08.

REMARKS.

Services were resumed January 16th. For an account of the revival of the work reference may be had to the report of the General Missionary, in this Journal. The last report, to be found in the Journal of 1878, page 91, is interesting reading. Statistics as to the re-purchase and repairs of the Church, which is to be consecrated May 23d, are reserved for next year's report.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CLINTON.

The Rev. GEORGE FRANKLIN PRATT, *Rector*.

CHARLES G. STEVENS and S. ARTHUR BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14, adults, 2; total, 16. Confirmed, 8. Communicants Admitted, 8, received 2, total added, 10; died, 2, removed, 1, total lost, 3, present number, 110. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 20; scholars, 194; total, 220. Church: Value, \$8,000, sittings, 180.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$919.18. Collections in church, Easter offering \$35.22; subscriptions, \$8.95, donations, \$69, total, \$1,463.91. Sunday school, \$106.98. Increase and improvement of church property: New organ, \$392.50. Alms box, for poor and needy, \$17.73. Rectory Fund, \$37.50. Surplice, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,938.62.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28. Convention Fund, \$18. Birthday box for Baldwinville Hospital, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$51.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$67.25. Domestic: Conversion of Jews, \$3.41; two boxes for Dakota Missions, \$89.86; total, \$93.27. Foreign missions in general, \$9.13. Total for missionary contributions, \$169.65.

Total of contributions, \$2,159.27.

REMARKS.

This is the first year in which this Church has attempted to go forward entirely self supported, and the experiment has proved successful.

TRINITY CHURCH, CONCORD.

The Rev. EDWARD A. RAND, *Missionary*.

O. R. UNDERHILL, *Church-Warden*.

Communicants, Present number, 27. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 22, total, 27. Church and land: Value, \$6,500; sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$138.06; subscriptions, \$412.25; total, \$550.31. Church building, from subscriptions, donations and other sources, \$5,452.77. Total for objects within the parish, \$6,003.08.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Bible Society, \$3.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.91.

Total of contributions, \$6,017.99.

REMARKS.

A very tasty Church of stone, after the style of the early English Gothic, has been completed at Concord, and was given to God near the opening of the year. This result was secured through the earnest struggles of the Concord congregation, aided by kind friends without. New families of our own Church-faith have moved into town, and there has been a substantial and encouraging growth of interest at Concord. The ladies have pushed with great energy the work of the Church Aid Society.

CALVARY CHURCH, DANVERS.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN R. TIBBETTS and JOHN R. FULLER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 7; adults, 3; total, 10. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 2; total added, 10; died, 1; removed, 8; total lost, 9; present number, 94. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 275. Parsonage: Value, \$600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$10.22. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$449.52; collections in church, \$34.91; pew rents, \$57; investments, \$113.36; other sources, \$59.39; total, \$714.18. Parish library, \$40. Total for objects within the parish, \$764.40.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$10. Convention Fund, \$6. Total for objects without the parish, \$16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$2; clothing to family of Rev. A. Ross, \$3.50; total, \$5.50. Foreign: Mission to Jews, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$18.50.

Total of contributions, \$798.90.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, (OAKDALE), DEDHAM.

The Rev. WILLIAM F. CHENEY, *Rector*.

EPHRAIM L. FROTHINGHAM and THOMAS NEWSOME, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adult, 1; total, 20. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 8; total added, 22; died, 1; removed, 8; total lost, 9; present number, 86. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 108. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 280. Parsonage: Value, \$6,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$38.40. All other current expenses including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$297.44; pew rents, \$280, subscriptions, \$103, donations, \$642.45, from Endowment Fund \$222.50, total, \$1,833.21. Sunday school, \$43.09. Increase and improvement of church property, \$7,500. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,414.70.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$10. Episcopal Clerical Fund for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese, \$5.76. Erection of churches and chapels, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$65.76.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$26.75. Domestic missions in general, \$13.96; box for St. Mary's School, valued at \$20; for the family of a clergyman in Washington Territory, \$60, total, \$98.96. Foreign missions in general, \$57. Total for missionary contributions, \$177.73.

Total of contributions, \$9,658.19.

REMARKS.

During the year a Rectory has been built, costing (including the land) \$7,500.

In addition to the amounts included in the above report and that of last year, the Parish has received an endowment fund of \$18,200 from legacies, of which \$2,000 is for the support of the Parish Library. All these the Endowment Fund, the Rectory, and the Rectory, were the gifts of four beloved communicants, now deceased.

In August 1884, mission services were begun in the adjoining town of Canton. Since September, Mr. Percy B. Grant, of the Cambridge Theological Seminary has resided there as Lay Reader, and has been the means of awakening a hearty interest in the Mission. Five persons have been baptized and 11 confirmed. At present there are 30 communicants and there has been a monthly celebration of the Holy Communion. The prospects for a permanent work seem promising. These confirmations and communicants are not included in the above Parish report.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, DEDHAM.

The Rev. ARTHUR MANN BACKUS, Rector.

IRA CLEVELAND and THOMAS L. WAKEFIELD, Church-Wardens.

Baptisms, Infants, 4. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, total added, 13; died, 1; removed, 10; total lost, 20, present number, 164. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 100. Church, Value, \$35,000; sittings, 500. Chapel, Value, \$4,000, sittings, 160.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,356.64, pew rents, \$1,362.30, investments, \$75 annual sale, \$225, total, \$3,743.94. Sunday school, \$100. Christmas festival and devotion, \$40. Easter flowers, \$18. Repairs, \$1,500. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,210.94.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$30. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$10. North End Mission, \$10. Dedham Associated Charities, \$21.70. Total for objects without the parish, \$71.70.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$109.88. Domestic missions in general, \$50; through Women's Auxiliary, \$5; freedmen

\$15; Jews, \$7; Bishop Whitaker's School (from Sunday school), \$40; box to Indians, \$65; total, \$182. Foreign missions in general, through Women's Auxilliary, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$361.88.

Total of contributions, \$5,644.52.

ST. PHILIP'S MISSION, EASTHAMPTON.

The Rev. HERBERT NOEL CUNNINGHAM, *Minister in Charge*.

NATHANIEL W. FARRAR, *Church-Warden*.

Baptism, infant, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; present number, 42. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 50. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$122.02; subscriptions, \$175; total, \$297.02.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$3.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.86.

Total of contributions, \$316.13.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. E. W. SMITH, *Rector*.

The Rev. J. C. HEWLETT, *assisting every two weeks*.

BORDEN CHASE and J. J. HIGHLANDS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 16; adult, 1; total, 17. Confirmed, 13. Communicants: Present number, 228. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 11. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 33; scholars, 216. St. Mark's School: Teachers, 14; scholars, 112. Church: Value, \$65,000; sittings, 618. St. Mark's Chapel: Value, \$1,700; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$8,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$88,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aids at Holy Communion, \$143.38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,014.42; collections in church, \$468.62; pew rents, \$1,816.46; subscriptions and other sources, \$916.23; total, \$4,215.73. Sunday school, \$361.05. Guild, \$79.48. Mission, St. Mark's Sunday school Guild: Parochial missions, \$336.39; parochial school, \$71.02; \$35.21; Girls' Friendly Society, \$20.50; total, \$903.65. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,262.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$54. Christian or theological education, \$11.56. Children's Home, Fall River, \$44.35. Total for objects without the parish, \$109.91.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$63.60. Domestic missions in general: By Woman's Missionary Society, \$69.22; offerings in church, \$34.52; total, \$103.74. Foreign missions in general, \$52. Total for missionary contributions, \$219.34.

Total of contributions, \$5,592.01.

REMARKS.

The Rev. A. St. John Chambré, D. D., closed his pastorate of the Church of the Ascension, May 15, 1884. The present Rector entered upon the discharge of his duties

August 1, of the same year. In considering the report from the Church of the Ascension for the past year, it is but just to remember the altered relations between the Mother Church and her Missions. Both these, St. James's and St. Mark's, were made independent of the Parish Church, one year ago. Since that time St. James's has developed into a Parish. St. Mark's, in December last, again united with the old Parish. The report, therefore, to be fairly considered, must be viewed with these altered relations in mind.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. ERNEST HOMER MARIETT, *Minister in Charge*.

JOHN ALLEN and THOMAS WORTHINGTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 33. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted 18; received, 3; total added, 53; removed, 3, present number, 56. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 17. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 175. Church. Value, \$8,000, sittings, 225. Chapel Value, \$2,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage, lot of land: Value, \$500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$19.89. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at offertory, \$424.93; subscriptions for new Church, \$341, donations, \$215, trust funds, \$730.87; entertainments, \$134.87; total, \$1,770.67. Sunday school, \$142.45. The Guild, \$19.28. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,952.26.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25. Domestic missions in general, \$4.77; Jewish missions, \$3.73, total, \$8.50. Foreign missions in general, \$2. Total for missionary contributions, \$35.50.

Total of contributions, \$1,987.76.

REMARKS.

St. James's was organized as a Parish in December, 1884. There has been a steady growth in the number of the worshippers. The offerings have also increased, although the manufactures of Fall River were never so dull. In October, 1884, ground was broken for a new Church. The need for this was very great, as only a hall was available for Divine Services. The people have exerted themselves to carry on the work, and now the Church is finished. There is a large population, chiefly English, from whom a large Church will be built up in time. It is a work of time and patience to bring these people into the Church, as many of them have become irregular worshippers, owing to the fact that, until the Parish was begun, the nearest Church was two miles distant. For several years the Church will be a Missionary Church, and will need aid in carrying on its work. It is now fully organized for Parish work, and perfect harmony exists in all departments of that work. With generous assistance from more favored brethren the Church will hold its own during the depression in manufactures, and when the tide turns the growth, financially, will be rapid.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FALL RIVER.

The Rev. SAMUEL S. SPEAR, *Rector*.

OLIVER H. P. HOWARD and NATHAN CRABTREE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 58; adults, 2; total, 60. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Present number, 150. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 31. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25;

scholars, 300. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 400. Chapel, sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$38.87. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$402.85; subscriptions, \$351.07; Ladies' Circle, \$151.15; other sources, \$17.17; total, \$922.24. Sunday school, \$282.04. Increase and improvement of church property, \$85.70. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,328.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$10. Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Fall River, \$9. Total for objects without the parish, \$19.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.54. Foreign missions in general, \$9. Total for missionary contributions, \$34.54.

Total of contributions, \$1,382.39.

REMARKS.

St. John's has gratefully to acknowledge the generous gift of a full set of carved black walnut furniture for the Chancel, a Chancel-Rail, with Kneeling Cushions, Reading Desk, Pulpit, Communion Table, and two Three-Seated Sedilla, from St. Paul's, Boston. These furnish our Church much more richly and appropriately than any articles we could have hoped to have purchased for many years to come with our limited means. "The rich and poor meet together; the Lord is the Maker of them all."

GRACE CHURCH, FISKDALE.

[Rectorship Vacant. — No Report.]

CHRIST CHURCH, FITCHBURG.

The Rev. CHARLES MORRIS ADDISON, *Rector Elect*.

DENNIS FAY and GEORGE D. COLONY, M. D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptism: adult, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Received, 2; total added, 3; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3; present number, 209. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 24; scholars, 156. Church: Value, \$45,000; sittings, 500. Chapel; Room: sittings, 75. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$45,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$198.56. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$243.15; collections in church, \$46.89; pew rents, \$1,593.92; total, \$1,883.96. Sunday school, \$162.57. Increase and improvement of church property, \$323. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,568.09.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$40. Convention Fund, \$27. Episcopal Church Association, Boston, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$72.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$116. Domestic missions in general, \$120 60. Foreign missions in general, \$87.77. Total for missionary contributions, \$324.37.

Total of contributions, \$2,964.46.

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, FRAMINGHAM.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Rector*.JAMES W. BROWN and ARTHUR C. A. BLANCHARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptism: Infant, 1. Confirmed, 7. Communicants Admitted, 7; received, 1, total added, 16; removed, 3, present number, 68. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school (Framingham): Officers and teachers, 5, scholars, 20, (South Framingham): Officers and teachers, 3, scholars, 15. Chapel. Value, \$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$629.67, offerings at services at South Framingham, \$54.16, for Prayer Books (at South Framingham), \$9; total, \$692.83. Sunday school, \$4.24. Sunday school offerings, \$1.91. Ladies' Sale, \$280. Total for objects within the parish, \$983.98.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$6. Hospital Bed (individual), \$5. "Home of the Merciful Saviour, for Crippled Children," Philadelphia, from Sunday school (included above in S. S. offerings), \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$16.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$59.75.

Total of contributions, \$1,060.73.

REMARKS.

Of the Communicants above reported a number live in one or two adjoining towns, who attend Church *occasionally* and are reported, being connected with no other parish.

The proceeds of the Ladies' Sale were appropriated to pay the balance of the debt on the new horse-sheds and furnace.

Regular monthly services have been held during the year at South Framingham, and since last July a small Sunday School has been held every Sunday. There seems a fair prospect for a more definite work before long in this part of the town.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GARDNER.

The Rev. THOMAS ALEXANDER HYDE, *Missionary*.DAVID PARKER, M. D., *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants: Total added, 3; removed, 4; present number, 80. Marriages, 2. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 32. Church. Will cost \$6,500 or \$7,000; sittings, 300, with Vestry, 500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: \$888. Increase and improvement of church property (pledges and payments), \$5,200. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,068.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.50.

Total of contributions, \$4,083.50.

REMARKS.

The Gardner Mission, after passing through many discouraging trials, has at length placed herself on a permanent basis by the erection of a suitable place of

worship. The building enterprise was started last May, by Mr. Thomas A. Hyde, while he was a Lay Reader, and, after various delays, has been brought to a successful completion during his Diaconate. The Church building will be open for worship early in June. All the money for the building has been raised in less than one year. The few people connected with the Parish have been faithful workers and generous givers. That the work of the year has been full of sacrifice and perseverance can be learned from a comparison of the sum raised this year with the sum raised last year, the sum being more than five times as large. Notwithstanding that so much has been done by the very few members, a still greater work is before them which demands the raising of as great a sum for the ensuing year. The peculiarity of this Church enterprise is that it is an effort to present the Church to professedly non-Church people. The number of Episcopalians in the town is so few, that without the co-operation and active membership of those who have been brought up in other Churches, success would be doubtful. The work at Gardner, thus far, has been conducted in such a way as to meet with commendation and active help from non-Church people. Many Congregational people in the town have helped our Church by pledges to the building fund and by attendance upon our services and sociables, and the increase in membership must come from that quarter.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER.

The Rev. CHARLES ALBERT HAYDEN, *Rector*.

JOHN H. STACY and FRED. T. HALL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adult, 1; total, 12. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 4; total added, 4; died, 2; removed, 1; total lost, 3; present number, 89. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, about 90. Church: Value, \$5,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$480.77; subscriptions, \$559.38; other sources, \$464.63; total, \$1,504.78. Increase and improvement of church property, \$193.01. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,697.79.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$14.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$43.98. Domestic: Ladies' Missionary Society, cash, \$20; box, \$15; total, \$35. Total for missionary contributions, \$78.98.

Total of contributions, \$1,791.02.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREAT BARRINGTON.

The Rev. HENRY AUGUSTUS ADAMS, *Rector Elect*.

M. LUDLOW WHITLOCK and FRANCIS P. WHITTLESLEY, M. D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: adults, 9. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Present number, 163. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 8. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 450. Parsonage: Value, \$4,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$29,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$60.04. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$201.35; pew rents, \$1,290.25; donations, \$15; Parish Aid Society, \$700; total, \$2,206.60. Sunday school,

\$30. Increase and improvement of church property, \$397.14. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,568.78.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$5. Convention Fund, \$2.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$7.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Domestic missions in general, \$15. Bishop Tuttle, for scholarship in St. Mark's School, \$40. Total for missionary contributions, \$55.

Total of contributions, \$2,676.28.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. P. VOORHEES FINCH, *Rector*.

SIMEON PHILLIPS and CHARLES R. LOWELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 5; total, 11. **Confirmed,** 9. **Communicants:** Admitted, 7; received, 1, total added, 8; died, 3; removed, 5, total lost, 8; present number, 150. **Marriages,** 8. **Funerals,** 16. **Sunday school.** Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 137. **Church:** Value, \$18,000, sittings, 350. **Chapel:** Value, \$2,500, sittings, 150. **Parsonage:** Value, \$8,000. Other real estate, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$118.57. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$354.57, pew rents, \$1,457.38; Investments, \$258.08, Sunday school collections, \$50.96; total, \$2,120.99. Sunday school, \$39.30. Parish debt, \$93.51. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,372.37.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund: principal, \$500; interest, \$35; total, \$535. Convention Fund, \$15. Erection of church and rectory at Easthampton and Ashfield, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$573.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$95.21. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$101.74, promotion of Christianity amongst the Jews, \$6.64; Indian missions (from the Sunday school), \$3.68; clothing sent to Rev. J. J. Enmegahbowh, \$95.06; clothing and Christmas presents for colored children at the South, \$45; total, \$252.11. Foreign missions in general, \$32.99. Total for missionary contributions, \$380.31.

Total of contributions, \$3,325.68.

REMARKS.

The Rector has been kindly assisted at the celebrations of the Holy Communion by his brethren, the Rev. N. W. Munroe and the Rev. Lewis Greene, resident clergy of Greenfield.

During the past year the Parish has come into possession of the house and lot, which, by the will of the late Edward P. Graves, was to become its property on the death of his widow, Mrs. Mary W. Graves. The St. James's Aid Society, an organization of the ladies of the Parish, has paid the Parish note for \$500, given to the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese eight years ago.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, HANOVER.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, S. T. D., *Officiating Minister*.

LEMUEL CUSHING WATERMAN and WARREN WRIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 2; total, 7. **Confirmed,** 3. **Communicants:** Admitted, 3, received, 2; total added, 5; present number, 73. **Marriages,** 4. **Funerals,** 3.

Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 44. Church: Value, \$10,850; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$4,600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,450.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$122.05. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,341.72. Sunday school (\$18.63 of which from Sunday school), \$94.38. Parish library, \$8.18. Other parochial objects, \$68.16. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,634.49.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$28. Convention Fund, \$15. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$14. Relief of poor, \$17. Total for objects without the parish, \$74.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$47.25. Domestic: Dakota League, Massachusetts Branch (in articles), \$30. Total for missionary contributions, \$77.25.

Total of contributions, \$1,785.74.

REMARKS.

Of the foregoing contributions, \$54.87 came from the Parish Sewing Circle.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. CHARLES WINGATE, *Minister*.

CLARENCE E. KELLEY, *Lay Reader*.

Baptisms: Infants, 19; adults, 2; total, 21. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 6; total added, 12; died, 2; removed, 9; total lost, 11; present number, 78. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 86. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$551.27. Sunday school, \$30.08. "Rector's Aid," for parish objects, \$75.81. Christmas and Easter, \$75.13. Total for objects within the parish, \$732.29.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$2. Domestic: Box for the Rev. Mr. Ross, Indian Missionary, \$10; Women's Auxillary, \$1; total, \$11. Foreign: Sunday school Lenten offering, for hospital in Japan, \$5; penny collections, for Foreign Missions, \$0.69; total, \$5.69. Total for missionary contributions, \$18.69.

Total of contributions, \$750.98.

TRINITY CHURCH, HAVERHILL.

The Rev. DAVID J. AYERS, *Rector*.

JOSIAH B. MORRILL and GEORGE DRAPER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 5; total, 9. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; present number, 216. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 120. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,600.21, subscriptions, \$200, donations, \$900; total, \$2,700.21. Sunday school, \$91.26. Parochial missions, \$132.38. Increase and improvement of church property, \$64. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,083.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH—Episcopal Fund, \$21. Convention Fund, \$10. Total for objects without the parish, \$31.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.09. Domestic missions in general, \$23.35. Foreign missions in general, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$43.04.

Total of contributions, \$3,161.80.

REMARKS.

The Rev. David J. Ayers, of the Diocese of New York, took charge of Trinity Parish, Haverhill, April 6, 1885.

CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HINGHAM.

[Rectorship Vacant. — No Report.]

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOLYOKE.

The Rev. HENRY LEWIS FOOTE, *Rector*.

GEORGE H. LEDDY and ELIAS P. FORD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 23; adults, 2; total, 25. Confirmed, 12. Communicants Admitted, 12, received, 19; total added, 31; died, 3; removed, 22, total lost, 25; present number, 184. Marriages, 14. Funerals, 9. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 232. Church: Value, \$20,000, sittings, 350. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aims at Holy Communion, \$182.48. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$232.27; collections in church, \$425.35; pew rents, \$1,616.62; total, \$2,273.24. Sunday school, \$202.64. Increase and improvement of church property, from Ladies' Aid Society, \$246.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,904.86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50, Convention Fund, \$21; Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$5.20; Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$5.20; erection of churches, \$37.22. Total for objects without the parish, \$121.12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$75.49. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$8.84, Indians, \$7.64, colored people, from Sunday school, \$17; Utah, from Sunday school, \$40; total, \$73.48. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$15; Mexico, \$40; total, \$55. Total for missionary contributions, \$203.97.

Total of contributions, \$3,229.95.

REMARKS.

Last Fall, one of our communicants on her death bed placed in the hands of the Rector the sum of \$190, to be used in the Parish at his discretion. With this has been purchased a Pocket Communion Set, new Service Books for the Chancel, and some

other much needed additions to the Church. A portion of this has been used in the help of the poor. This amount has not been added to *sum total* as given above.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOPKINTON.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

WILLIAM KENNEDY and JAMES FIRTH BRAITHWAITE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adult, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Removed, 2; present number, 12. Marriages, 2. Funeral, 1. Church, none. Parsonage, none. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, including church lot and school land, \$3,400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.55. All current expenses for service: Offerings at the offertory, \$69.10; subscriptions received, \$17.50; total, \$84.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$92.30.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$5.

Total of contributions, \$97.30.

REMARKS.

From August, 1884, to May 3, 1885, we had 21 services of the Protestant Episcopal Church, 3 by Lay Readers, 18 by ordained Clergymen, held in the lower Town Hall, in Hopkinton, with the Rev. John S. Beers, of Natick, as head. The few members of the Parish of St. Paul's subscribed, with a few friends outside of the Parish, as their means allowed, to defray the expenses of preaching. By these subscriptions, together with the Offertory Collections, we have succeeded so far.

JAMES F. BRAITHWAITE, *Clerk*.

CHRIST CHURCH, HYDE PARK.

The Rev. JOHN THOMAS MAGRATH, *Rector*.

HENRY HYDE SMITH and SAMUEL A. FOSTER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13; adults, 4; total, 17. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; removed, 3; present number, 110. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 92.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$2.30. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$2,100. Sunday school Christmas festival, \$56. Increase and improvement of church property, new furnaces, \$175 (included under offerings at the offertory). For the poor, \$20. By Sunday school, for fund for new Communion Table, \$20. By the ladies, for sidewalk around church lot, \$128.40. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,326.70.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$42; Convention Fund, \$22.50; General Church Fund for aged and infirm clergy, \$7.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$72.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$12; box for a missionary of the Diocese, \$21; total, \$33. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$22.50; missionary box for Indian missions, \$9.50; by the ladies, for

Indian missions, \$10, total, \$42. Foreign missions in general, \$22.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$97.50.

Total of contributions, \$2,496.20.

REMARKS.

A new Communion Table has been placed in the Chancel. The Ladies of the Parish held an Easter Sale of useful and fancy articles, the proceeds of which amounted to three hundred and thirty dollars. Of this sum, a portion was appropriated as reported above, and the remainder was deposited in the Savings Bank as a fund for further improvements.

The Rector gratefully acknowledges the valuable Easter present from the gentlemen of the congregation.

The Parish has depended upon the voluntary offerings of the people (without pledges), and these offerings have been sufficient for the purpose.

The Divine promise has been graciously fulfilled: "In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength."

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, IPSWICH.

The Rev. JULIUS WALTER ATWOOD, *Rector*.

EVERARD H. MARTIN and JOHN BIRCH, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2, adults, 4; total, 6. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Present number, 100. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 116. Church: Value, \$13,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$13,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aids at Holy Communion, not elsewhere reported, \$99.17; all current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,379.36; Sunday school, \$67.43; parish library, \$24.17; increase and improvement of church property, \$443.91, for the poor of the parish, \$103.25; other charitable objects, \$15; Easter flowers, \$12.25. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,016.54.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$15; Christian or theological education, \$7. Total for objects without the parish, \$22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$24; Domestic missions in general, \$25; Foreign missions in general, \$18.74. Total for missionary contributions, \$67.74.

Total of contributions, \$2,106.28.

REMARKS.

The Church, which was finished and consecrated as a memorial to the Rev. John Cotton Smith, D. D., in 1883, has now been made complete by the purchase of a new organ within the past year. A beautiful pulpit, the gift of the Church of the Ascension, New York, was also placed in the Church immediately after Easter.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LANESBOROUGH.

The Rev. CHARLES JAMES PALMER, *Officiating Clergyman*.

GEORGE B. SHERMAN and FRANK NOURSE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infant, 1. Communicants: Died, 1. present number, 67. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 28. Church: Value,

\$5,000; sittings, 350. Parsonage and land: Value, \$1,300. Fund, \$9,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$69.78; subscriptions, \$100; investments, \$562.50; other sources, \$98.79; total, \$831.07. Increase and improvement of church property, \$9. Total for objects within the parish, \$840.07.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$9.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$3.38.

Total of contributions, \$852.45.

GRACE CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. AUGUSTINE HEARD AMORY, *Rector*.

The Rev. ROBERT BENJAMIN PARKER, *Assistant*.

JAMES PAYNE and HENRY MARTYN WHITNEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 45; adults, 2; total, 47. Confirmed, 15. Communicants: Admitted, 15; received, 11; total added, 26; died, 6; removed, 15; total lost, 21; present number, 362. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 35. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 38; scholars, 381. Church: Value, \$18,000; sittings, 600; Chapel; Value, \$7,000; sittings, 350. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$330.46. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$3,197.28; subscriptions, \$294; total, \$3,491.28. Sunday school picnic, \$35.29. Parochial missions, \$47.96. Christmas and Easter expenses, \$41.38. Choir, \$28. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,974.37.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$66.17. Convention Fund, \$30. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25.76. Christian or theological education, \$23.20. Lawrence City Mission, \$113. Total for objects without the parish, \$258.13.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$67.90. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$53.74; Woman's Auxillary, \$17.40; special, \$140; Jewish Mission, \$12.88; total, \$224.02. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$42.47; special, \$40; total, \$82.47. Total for missionary contributions, \$374.39.

Total of contributions, \$4,606.89.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LAWRENCE.

The Rev. JAMES SYDNEY KENT, *Rector*.

LAWRENCE DAVENPORT and SAMUEL BARRETT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 21; adults, 7; total, 28. Confirmed, 15. Communicants, 214. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 19; scholars, 189.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion (5 months), \$44.96. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$355.84; pew

rents, \$976.78; donations, \$73; other sources, \$147.38; total, \$1,553. Sunday school, \$127. Improvement of church property, \$26 Total for objects within the parish, \$1,804 86.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$42. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$8.33. Total for objects without the parish, \$50.33.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, 2 offerings, \$4.70 and \$12.04, \$16.74.

Total of contributions, \$1,872.09.

REMARKS.

The present Rector took charge in Advent. Some of the Parish work for the preceding five months. In the absence of any settled pastor, was performed by resident and visiting Clergy, and the record probably incorporated with their reports. A floating debt has occupied the financial attention of the people and made extra parochial contributions an impossibility. The coming year we hope to be in better shape and to fulfil canonical obligations, but, unfortunately, even for the present year, our record is necessarily imperfect.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEE.

The Rev. SAMUEL HAVEN HILLIARD, *Rector*.

LUcius CROCKER and JOHN HANNA, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms. Infants, 6. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 2; present number, 53. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 40. Church. Value, \$7,000; sittings, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aids at Holy Communion, \$31.15. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$280.34; pew rents, \$50, subscriptions, \$100, donations, Ladies' Aid Society, \$100; investments, \$30, total, \$570.34. Sunday school, \$45. Increase and improvement of church property, \$12. Total for objects within the parish, \$861.49.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$4.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10. Domestic missions in general, \$3.17. Foreign missions in general, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$16.17.

Total of contributions, \$881.66.

REMARKS.

During a six months' absence on account of his throat, the Rector by recommendation of the Bishop, employed the Rev. J. A. Jerome to take his work. He resided in Lee and served the parish most faithfully.

TRINITY CHURCH, LENOX.

The Rev. JUSTIN FIELD, *Rector*.

R. T. AUCHMUTY and EDMUND SPENCER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5, adults, 3; total, 8. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3, received, 4, total added, 7; removed, 4, present number, 65. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 2. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 30. Church: Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion: \$210. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$551.23; pew rents, \$1,680; investments, \$14.22; total, \$2,270.45. Sunday school, \$25. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,480.45.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$25. Total for objects without the parish, \$67.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$40. Domestic: Missionary box for Dakota, \$60. Total for missionary contributions, \$100.

Total of contributions, \$2,648.45.

THE CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER, LEXINGTON.

The Rev. WILFORD LASH ROBBINS, *Minister in Charge.*

ROBERT M. LAWRENCE, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Adults, 3. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Present number, 37. Funeral, 1.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory and collections in church, \$752.01; other sources, \$407.06. Total, \$1,159.07.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.10.

Total of contributions, \$1,170.17.

REMARKS.

The first organization of the Parish was made (under the provisions of the "Missionary Canon," so-called, of the Diocese of Massachusetts) on the night of Good Friday (April 11th) A. D. 1884. The first settlement of a regular minister was in June of the same year. Since that time some twenty-four hundred dollars (\$2,400) has been collected for the purpose of building a Church. Out of this, four hundred dollars (\$400) was spent in purchasing a lot of land for the proposed Church, near the centre of the town; the remaining two thousand dollars being the building-fund now on hand. Meanwhile the congregation worships in a hall decently fitted up to serve as a Chapel. The Mission has been from the first self-supporting.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LINDEN.

The Rev. THOMAS LEGATE FISHER, *Rector.*

JOHN ROSSBOROUGH and ROBERT CASSON, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 4; adults, 3; total, 7. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 7; received, 10; total added, 17; removed, 4; present number, 47. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 70. Church: Value, \$3,250; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,650.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$676.81. Increase and improvement of church property, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$726.81.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$6.56. Domestic: Deaf mutes, \$5.70; Jews, \$4.71, Mission, Gordonsville, Va., \$5. Foreign missions in general, \$14.26. Total for missionary contributions, \$36.16.

Total of contributions, \$762.97.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LONGWOOD.

The Rev. REGINALD HEBER HOWE, *Rector*.

S. H. GREGORY and F. W. LAWRENCE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 7; total added, 12, died, 1; removed, 3, total lost, 4; present number, 181. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 14, scholars, 90. Church. Value, \$50,000, sittings, 350. Chapel. Value, \$4,000, sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$54,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$3 780.01, subscriptions, \$246, total, \$4,026.01. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1 149. Other parochial objects: Christmas expenses, \$114.23. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,329.24.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$30; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$73; Episcopal Clerical Fund, for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese, \$39.63, Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$74.30. For other objects without the parish: Woman's Auxiliary, \$22.70, Girls' Friendly Society, \$12; Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$38.14, Home for Incurables, \$20. Total for objects without the parish, \$310.77.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$189.21. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$182.46, mite-chest, \$17.44. Hospital, Denver, from Sunday school, \$68.11, the Jews, \$19.13; special to three Missionary Bishops, \$27; miscellaneous, through Woman's Auxiliary, \$57.50; special, \$15; from Sunday school, for Indians, \$40. Foreign. Foreign missions in general, \$68.55, Bishop Holly \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$689.47.

Total of contributions, \$6,329.48.

REMARKS.

The Parish has had during the year, from one of its lady members, the gift of a Rectory. It is to be of stone, and is now in process of erection, upon the same lot with the Church and Parish Building. It is of beautiful design, and most conveniently adapted to its purposes.

Another memorial window has been placed in the Church, and beside the offerings given above, eight boxes have been sent to the missionary field and elsewhere, valued at \$701.91.

THE HOUSE OF PRAYER, LOWELL.

The Rev JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESKEY, *Rector*.

JAMES EMMOTT and JAMES DRIVER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3; adult, 1; total, 9. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 2; total added, 8; removed, 2; total lost, 2; present number, 62. Mar-

riages, 3. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 30. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary; Offerings at the offertory, \$595.58; donations, \$32.50; other sources, The Guild, \$46.95; total, \$675.03. Increase and improvement of church property, \$11.95. Total for objects within the parish, \$686.98.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$9.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$22.86.

Total of contributions, \$718.84

REMARKS.

During my absence the past summer, the affairs of the Parish were in charge of the Rev. Mr. Nicolls, now of the Diocese of Rhode Island. We have had quite a good year and still make progress.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. ALBERT ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D. D., *Rector*.

JOHN M. PEVEY and FREDERICK TAYLOR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 47; adults, 8; total, 55. Confirmed, 24. Communicants: Admitted, 24; received, 17; total added, 41; died, 15; removed, 5; total lost, 20; present number, 55. Marriages, 19. Funerals, 35. Sunday school; Officers and teachers, 30; scholars, 200. Orphanage: Teacher, 1; scholars, 13. Church: Value, \$48,000; sittings, 800. Chapel: Value, \$15,000; sittings, 200. School building: Value, \$8,000. Parsonage: Value, \$15,000. Bells, organ, library, etc., \$15,000. Total valuation, \$101,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$273.24. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertories, \$798.21; pew rents, \$3,744; donations, \$200; total, \$4,542.21. For Sunday school, by offertories, \$175.65. By Guild, \$17.28. By Woman's Beneficial Society, \$534. For payment of debt, \$4,000. Increase and improvement of church property, \$12,350. For Orphanage, by subscription, \$2,000. For Orphanage, by offertory, \$115.96. For Rector's library, \$32.23. For improvement of rectory, \$3,500. Total for objects within the parish, \$27,206.57.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund (not reported last year), \$1,000. Convention Fund, \$30. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$8.40. Christian or theological education, and St. Anne's Scholarship Society, \$128.75. Total for objects without the parish, \$1,158.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$130.17. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$28; St. Anne's Mission, Morrison, Ill., \$2; by Woman's Missionary Society to Dakota League, box, \$70.29; by Woman's Missionary Society to Rev. H. Langlois, Wisconsin, box, \$40.23; by Woman's Missionary Society to Church at Jacksonport, Wisconsin, cash, \$15; by Young Woman's Missionary Society, to Mrs. Payne, Virginia, box, \$15; total, \$170.52. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, forty dollars being from the Sunday school, for scholarship in St. Margaret's, Tokio, Japan, \$68.33. Total for missionary contributions, \$369.02.

Total of contributions, \$28,734.34.

REMARKS.

A portion of the money raised for Church Improvements was reported in the last returns to the Convention, to the amount of \$7,567. It ought really to go towards swelling the amount reported this year. It was made contingent upon the acceptance of the present Rectorship that the improvements should be made, and the amount raised has all been expended since the vacancy has been filled, which was on May 15, 1884. This would make the total raised and expended during the year, \$36,401.34.

It is pleasant to announce that the Parish is thoroughly alive to good works, and is in perfect harmony. The blessed influences of the late beloved and honored Rector, the Rev. Theodore Edson, D. D., are manifest on every side.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LOWELL.

The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER, *Rector*.

HENRY P. WEBBER and ALBERT G. SWAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 26; adults, 5; total, 31. Confirmed, 19. Communicants. Admitted, 19; received, 15, total added, 34, died, 2; removed, 26, total lost, 27; present number, 290. Marriages, 13. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 31; scholars, 183. Church Value, \$25,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aims at Holy Communion, not elsewhere included, \$35.38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$247.64; pew rents, \$1,012.75; subscriptions, for repairs, \$120; donations, Improvement Society and Sunday school, \$123.55; reduction of church debt, \$352.75; other sources, church societies, \$67.51; total, \$1,904.20. Sunday school, \$156.67. Choir, \$226.34. Increase and improvement of church property, from Sunday school and another source, \$108. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,430.56.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$21. Total for objects without the parish, \$56.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$53. Domestic missions in general, from Sunday school, \$4; Indians and Freedmen, from Sunday school, \$2.12, total, \$6.12. Foreign missions in general, from Sunday school, \$2.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$41.62.

Total of contributions, \$2,528.21.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, LYNN.

The Rev. LOUIS DECORMIS, *Rector*.

WILLIAM F. JOHNSON and T. B. KNIGHT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 32; adults, 8; total, 40. Confirmed, 17. Communicants: Admitted, 17; received, 3, total added, 20; died, 1, removed, 2; total lost, 3, present number, about 400. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 26. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, about 300. Girls' Industrial School: Teachers, 30; scholars, 236. Church. Sittings, 600. Chapel: Sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$5,230.23. Sunday school, \$240.97. Parish library, \$80. Industrial school, \$22.97. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,574.17.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$30. Christian or theological education, \$40. Total for objects without the parish, \$70.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50.89. Domestic: Box to St. Paul's School, Dakota, \$64; Mrs. Payne's salary, \$10; Sister Eliza's salary, \$25; total, \$99. Foreign: Box to Hayti, 15; Mrs. Hooker's School, Mexico, \$15; Mrs. Brierly (Africa), \$8.75; for hospital land, Tokio, Japan, \$54; Miss Mailes, quilt, \$20.25; total, \$113. Total for missionary contributions, \$262.89.

Total of contributions, \$5,907.06

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MALDEN.

The Rev. JOHN MILTON PECK, *Rector*.

GEORGE CHARLES TATE, *Lay Reader*.

ALLEN J. CHASE and WILLIAM BELTRADE DE LAS CASAS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adult, 1; total, 11. Confirmed, 1. Communicants, 125. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 80.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms-chest, \$11.31; offertory, \$776.55; subscriptions and pledges, \$1,563.55; Guild and other sources, \$147; from Sunday school, \$15.23. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,513.76.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$76.09. Domestic: For conversion of the Jews, \$8.76. Total for missionary contributions, \$84.73.

Total of contributions, \$2,598.49.

REMARKS.

The present report of the incumbent is necessarily incomplete, partly from his want of familiarity with the records, and from the fact that his Rectorship dates only from the beginning of Lent. A good and sure foundation laid by his predecessor, and the united and earnest spirit of the Parish seem to argue well for the future, under God's blessing.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARBLEHEAD.

The Rev. WILLIAM ROBERT HARRIS, *Rector*.

EZEKIEL RUSSELL and WILLIAM D. T. TREFRY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Present number, 101. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 16. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 96. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 400. Chapel: Value, \$1,200; sittings, 100. Parsonage: Value, \$6,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$12,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$76.48. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,531.91. Sunday school, \$60.76. Repairs to

church property, \$255. From Sunday school, for various purposes, \$95.54. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,550.69.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$15, Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$4.93. Total for objects without the parish, \$19.83.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$47.50. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$71.54, from Sunday school, during Lent, \$4.71, from Ladies' Aid Society for mission work in Wisconsin \$5; American Church Building Fund, \$1.84, for the Jews, \$2.31, total, \$85.40. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$71.53, from Sunday school, during Lent, \$4.71; total, \$76.24. Total for missionary contributions, \$209.14.

Total of contributions, \$2,179.78.

REMARKS.

In addition to the above, the ladies have forwarded a box of clothing for Indian Missions, valued at \$12.

GRACE CHURCH, MEDFORD.

The Rev. CHARLES LEWIS HUTCHINS, *Rector*.

The Rev. JOHN BOURB RICHMOND, *Assistant*.

WILLIAM I. PARKER and JOHN R. FOLGER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 3; total, 8. Confirmed, 9. Communicants: Present number, 130. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 90. Parochial school: Teacher, 1, scholars, 15.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aids at Holy Communion, \$143.29. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,793.84. Sunday school, \$100. Sunday school Christmas festival, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,087.13.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$31.50. Convention Fund, \$24. Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$4.86. Missionary boxes, \$200. Total for objects without the parish, \$260.36.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$72.60. Domestic: Mission to Jews, \$6; mission to Indians, \$7.51; mission to colored people, \$8.24, total, \$21.75. Total for missionary contributions, \$94.35.

Total of contributions, \$3,441.84.

CHRIST CHURCH, MEADOWAY.

The Rev. JOHN B. WICKS, *Missionary*.

Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Admitted, 1; present number, 20. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 26. Church: Value, \$5,600, sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$120.71; collections in church, \$90.30, subscriptions, \$35, other sources, \$78.93, total, \$324.94. Increase and improvement of church property,

\$271.01. Parish work, \$10. Organ Fund, \$36. Total for objects within the parish, \$641.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$1.20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$13.20; Domestic missions in general, \$0.40. Total for missionary contributions, \$13.60.

Total of contributions, \$656.75.

TRINITY CHURCH, MELROSE.

The Rev. CHARLES LANCASTER SHORT, *Rector*.

JOSEPH HARRISON WARD and ROYAL PIERCE BARRY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 83. Funerals, 4. Sunday School: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 55. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms for poor, \$65.98. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,246.15; investments, \$40; total, \$1,286.15. Sunday school, \$21.68. Increase and improvement of church property, \$72. Christmas Sunday school festival, \$50. Gift to Rector, \$40. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,535.81.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, all assessment. Convention Fund, all assessment.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$23.30. Domestic: Dakota League, \$16.50; "Cheerful Workers," \$10.85; penny collection from Sunday school, \$1.45; total, \$28.80. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$9.55; Tokio Hospital, \$3; total, \$12.55. Total for missionary contributions, \$53.65.

Total of contributions, \$1,589.46.

REMARKS.

The list of communicants as given includes only those who have actually communed within the year.

The "Cheerful Workers," a part of the Sunday school, have made up thirty-three garments for Indian children.

A new altar, in memory of a beloved child, has been presented by two members of the Congregation.

A Sunday school building, to cost, when furnished, about three thousand dollars, is now begun.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, METHUEN.

The Rev. CHARLES FILKINS SWEET, *Rector*.

WILLIAM BEVINGTON and THOMAS BURNLEY, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adult, 1; total, 10. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 33; received, 4; total added, 37; died, 2; removed, 12; total lost, 14; present number, 236. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 8. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 100. Church: Value, \$15,000; sittings, about 500. Building: Value, \$1,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$16,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,000.18; subscriptions, \$75.46; total, \$1,075.63. Sunday school, \$50. Other parochial objects, \$436.17. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,561.80.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH — Erection of churches and chapels, \$16.60. For other objects without the parish, \$45. Total for objects without the parish, \$61.56.

Total of contributions, \$1,623.36.

REMARKS.

The number of communicants reported is not correct; but it is practically impossible, since the former Rector left me no list of communicants, to do more than follow his example of reporting known losses and known additions. The opinion of the Rector is that 150 would be more correct than 236.

TRINITY CHURCH, MILFORD.

The Rev. JOHN B. WICKS, *Rector*.

CHARLES DOVE and GEORGE G. PARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infant, 1; adult, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8, died, 1; present number, 91. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 63. Church: Value, \$10,000; fittings, 256. Organ: Value, \$1,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aims at Holy Communion, \$34.43. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, Easter offertory, \$17. collections in church, \$122.04, pew rents, \$318; subscriptions, \$11.18, Ladies' Society, \$119.09, total, \$567.31. Sunday school: Sunday collection, \$25.82, Easter offering, \$5.89, total, \$31.71. Increase and Improvement of church property, by repairs and painting, \$100. Christmas and Easter decorations, \$16.60. For Sunday School, \$7. For Parish Guilds, \$1.50. For Parish Work, \$36. Total for objects within the parish, \$906.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$4. Branch of Woman's Auxiliary, \$13.53. Total for objects without the parish, \$17.53.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.23.

Total of contributions, \$936.32.

ST. PHILIP'S MISSION, MILLBURY.

The Rev. JOHN GREGSON, *Missionary*.

EDWARD ANDERSON, *Warden*.

Baptism: Adult, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants Present number, 19. Funerals, 2. Sunday School: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 19.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.85. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$19.84; subscriptions, \$77; other sources, \$236.16; total, \$333. Total for objects within the parish, \$346.85.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—General clergy relief, \$1.80.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$9.55. Foreign missions in general, \$2.45. Total for missionary contributions, \$12.

Total of contributions, \$360.65.

REMARKS.

The communicants now for the first time reported from Millbury have hitherto been returned under St. John's at Wilkinsonville. So also in the case of the Sunday School teachers and scholars. Services are held in a suitably furnished chapel in the Town Hall. The guild organized last year by the name of St. Philip's Guild has done faithful service. There is no debt resting upon our work, and a small balance in the hands of the treasurer. The town is somewhat too well supplied with religious services, but our people are constant, and keep a good courage.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MILLVILLE.

The Rev. WILLIAM JAMES ALGER, *Rector*.

WILLIAM A. COLE and LOUIS K. POTTER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2; adults, 2; total, 4. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: Admitted, 10; received, 4; total added, 14; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 84. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 52. Church: Value, \$5,500; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$1,800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$43.20; pew rents, \$355.22; investments, \$6.25; other sources, \$43.94; total, \$422.17. Sunday school, \$12.33. Increase and improvement of church property, \$64.78. Organ for Sunday school, \$73.87. Total for objects within the parish, \$599.59.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$12.25. Convention Fund, \$5. Total for objects without the parish, \$17.25.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.86. Foreign missions in general, \$2.74. Total for missionary contributions, \$28.60.

Total of contributions, \$645.44.

REMARKS.

Of the above contributions, \$104.78 came from our very active and efficient Ladies' Aid Society. The Communion Alms are included in the contributions to the various objects named.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NANTUCKET.

The Rev. H. WARREN FAY, *late Rector*.CHARLES H. STARNBUCK and WILLIAM H. C. LAWRENCE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 5, total, 15. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Received, 1; total added, 4; died, 2, present number, 30. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Church: Value, \$1,500; sittings, 180. Parsonage: Value \$1,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$2,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$526.78, collections in church, \$431.49, donations, \$306, total, \$734.49. Sunday school, \$29. For services by the Rev. W. A. Holbrook and the Rev. Benjamin R. Gifford, \$32. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,319.77, less \$431.49 included in Rector's salary, \$888.28.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Church Aid Society, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.

Total of contributions, \$918.28.

REMARKS.

The Rev. H. Warren Fay resigned the Rectorship, February 16, 1885.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NATICK.

The Rev. FRANK SOMERVILLE HARRADEN, *Rector*.EDMUND SMITH MIDDLETON, *Lay Reader*.FRANK E. CUMMINGS and CHARLES Q. TIRRELL, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms. Infants, 12, adult, 1; total, 13. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6, received, 3, total added, 9, died, 2, removed, 7; total lost, 9; present number, 70. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7, scholars, 62. Church: Value, \$8,000, sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$534.96, Sunday School offerings, \$26.13; Ladies' Parish Aid Society, \$290.83; total, \$851.92. Christmas festival, \$18.50. Total for objects within the parish, \$871.42.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$4.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, from Parish, \$23.06, from Sunday School Lent mite-boxes, \$4.62. Total for missionary contributions, \$28.12. Total of contributions, \$904.04.

REMARKS.

The number of communicants reported above includes some living in one or two adjoining towns, who attend Church occasionally and are reported, as they are connected with no other parish.

GRACE CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.**The Rev. GEORGE A. STRONG, *Rector*.****C. B. H. FESSENDEN and EDMUND RODMAN, *Church-Wardens*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 3; total, 17. **Confirmed,** 14. **Communicants:** Admitted, 14; received, 8; total added, 22; died, 3; removed, 7; total lost, 10; present number, 240. **Marriages,** 5. **Funerals,** 14. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 204. **Church:** Value, \$55,000; sittings, 600. **Chapel:** Sittings, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$274.80. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$495.75; pew rents, \$4,290.01; investments, \$231.67; total, \$5,017.43. Sunday school, \$65.07. Christmas festival, \$84; new organ for Sunday school, \$58.71. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,500.01.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$72.22. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$39.24. Erection of churches and chapels, \$20. Young Men's Christian Association, \$23.17. St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford, \$32.74. Total for objects without the parish, \$187.37.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$68.91. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$170.73; Indian missions, \$84.38; box for Indians, Ladies' Society, \$140; Freedmen and Missionary, Ladies' Society, \$56; total, \$451.11. Foreign missions in general, \$93.39. Total for missionary contributions, \$613.41.

Total of contributions, \$6,300.79.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, NEW BEDFORD.**The Rev. CHARLES HAYDEN PROCTOR, *Rector*.****The Rev. SILAS BRAINARD DUFFIELD, *in Charge*.****ANDREW BANNISTER, *Church-Warden*.**

Baptisms: Infants, 27; adult, 1; total, 28. **Communicants:** Admitted, 4; received, 3; total added, 7; removed, 4; present number, 120. **Marriages,** 8. **Funerals,** 10. **Sunday school:** Officers and teachers, 13; scholars, 100. **Sewing school:** Teachers, 3; scholars, 40. **Church:** Value, \$20,000. **School building:** Value, \$200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$20,200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$232.63; pew rents, \$832.96; donations, \$250; other sources, \$63; total, \$1,378.59. Sunday school, \$43.94. Sewing school, \$85.18. Reduction of debt, \$125. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,632.71.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Domestic: Indian, \$15.

Total of contributions, \$1,647.71.

REMARKS.

In the absence of the Rector, the Parish is supplied very acceptably by the Rev. S. B. Duffield.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWBURYPORT.

The Rev. JAMES HEARTT VAN BUREN, *Rector*.NATHANIEL FOSTER and ALFRED W. LORD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: As last reported, 273; admitted, 2, received, 4; total added, 12; died, 5, removed, 1, total lost, 6; present number, estimated from last report, 281. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 8. Sunday-school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, about 125. Church: Value, \$6,000; sittings, 660. Chapel: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 260.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, including Easter offerings, \$264.59. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$545.98; pew rents, \$1,516.68; donations, \$300, investments, \$781.29; other sources, \$30, total, \$3,173.93. Sunday school, \$172.66. Benevolent objects, \$151.61. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,763.19.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$27, Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$30.33. For the Anna Jaques Hospital, Newburyport, \$90.28. Total for objects without the parish, \$147.49.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$37.65. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, including Freedmen, \$41.35; from Parochial Branch, Woman's Auxiliary, for work in Wisconsin and Dakota, \$23.50; total, \$64.85. Foreign. From Parochial Branch, Woman's Auxiliary, for Hospital at Tokio, Japan, \$10. Total for missionary contributions, \$172.61.

Total of contributions, \$4,063.69.

REMARKS.

By the generous gift of the Hon. E. S. Moseley, an esteemed parishioner, the windows of the Parish Church are being furnished throughout with cathedral glass. This gift is not included in the above report, as the work is not completed at this date. Indulgence is asked for other imperfections in the report, as the present Rector entered upon his duties only last Advent.

GRACE CHURCH, NEWTON.

The Rev. GEORGE WOLFE SHINN, D.D., *Rector*.GEORGE SAWYER BULLENS and WILLIAM SEWALL GARDNER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 13, adults, 4, total, 17. Confirmed, 9. Funerals, 11. Marriages, 3. Communicants, about 225. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16, scholars, 157; total, 173.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, and other gifts for the poor, \$335. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, etc., \$7,073.28. For the Sunday school, \$152. For a new chapel and parish house, \$13,500. For other parochial objects, \$245. Total for objects within the parish, \$21,310.28.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Widows and orphans of clergymen, \$20. Episcopal Clerical Fund, \$5. Church Home, \$5. Other Orphanages, \$15. St. Luke's Home, \$7. Theological Edu-

cation, \$17. Church Building Fund, \$12.50. Total for objects without the parish, \$171.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$79.55. Domestic: Domestic Missions in general, \$20.81; value of boxes of goods sent to missionaries and students, \$633.25; total, \$654.06. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$28.18; scholarship in China, \$40; Hayti, \$5; total, \$73.18. Total missionary contributions, \$806.79.

Total of contributions, \$22,288.57.

REMARKS.

On the 22d of January, 1885, the new building, including a Chapel and Parish House, adjoining the Church was formally opened. The expense, \$13,500, was all met when the building was completed.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WEST NEWTON AND AUBURNDALE.

The Rev. HENRY AIKEN METCALF, *Rector*.

C. WILLARD CARTER, *Lay Reader*.

NATHANIEL F. NYE and WILLIAM R. CAULKINS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adults, 3; total, 8. Confirmed, 10. Communicants: admitted, 10; received, 30; total added, 40; removed, 25; total lost, 25; present number, 120. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 73. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,494.60; donations (from Ladies' Sewing Society), \$606; total, \$2,100.60. Sunday school (from Sunday school for library), \$17.18. Other parochial objects: Christmas Sale, \$163; Sunday school Christmas festival, \$48.25; altar flowers, \$32.79; poor, \$26.24; gifts to Rector, \$40. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,428.06.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Erection of churches and chapels (from Ladies' Sewing Society), \$5. Child's Hospital (Albany), \$6. Total for objects without the parish, \$11.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$71.03. Domestic: From Ladies' Sewing Society, for Mrs. Buford (Virginia), a barrel of clothing, valued at \$57.66; from Sunday school, for Bishop Whitaker, \$13.28; Indians, \$.81; freedmen, \$.81; domestic missions in general, \$.72; total, \$73.28. Foreign: From Sunday school, \$.72. Total for missionary contributions, \$145.03.

Total of contributions, \$2,584.09.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWTON LOWER FALLS.

The Rev. WILLIAM GOODHUE WELLS, *Rector*.

RUFUS MOULTON and SAMUEL H. WARREN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adult, 1; total, 6. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; received, 1; total added, 5; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 113. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory and pew rents, \$2,281.03. St. Mary's Guild, \$107.38. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,388.50.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, with arrears, \$34.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$23.18. Domestic: From Sunday School, Scholarship at St. Mark's School, Utah, value, \$40, from Sunday school, for Bishop Walker, \$12; from Sunday school for Grace Church, Canton, Miss., \$5, Mrs. Payne's Boarding School, Petersburg, Va., \$15; Church and Rectory, Jacksonport, Wis., \$6, Mexican Mission, \$5, total, \$83. Foreign missions in general, \$14. Total for missionary contributions, \$120.19.

Total of contributions, \$2,563.18.

REMARKS.

The present Rector commenced his duties Septuagesima, 1885. Since then the Parish has purchased a Rectory at a cost of \$2,500. Over \$2,100 of this amount has been already pledged and paid.

St. Mary's Missionary Society have sent during the year a box of clothing for a clergyman in Indiana, valued at \$45, and two barrels and a box of materials for clothing, for Mrs. Payne's work in Petersburg, Va., valued at \$45.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

The Rev. HENRY WILLIAM WINKLEY, *in Charge*.

JAMES SIMPSON and ALEXANDER TYLER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 14; adults, 4; total, 18. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 11, received, 50; total added, 61; died, 2, removed, 4; total lost, 6, present number, 92. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1. Sunday school Officers and teachers, 9, scholars, 68. Church Value, \$5,000, sittings, 225.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion \$115.50. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,400.24. Sunday school, \$66.40. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,582.14.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Domestic missions in general, \$10.25.

Total of contributions, \$1,592.39.

REMARKS.

The Church is free; all contributions have been voluntarily given or contributed from the Ladies' Sewing Society. During the past year a floating debt of two hundred and fifty dollars has been paid, and two hundred dollars, with the interest, have been paid on the mortgage on the Church. At this date there is a mortgage of twelve hundred dollars upon the Church, otherwise the parish is free from debt. At the suggestion of the general Missionary of the Diocese, the Church families in Needham have been attached to this parish, and are reported with it. By this addition the list of communicants is increased sixteen. The attendance from Needham at the services has been praiseworthy, in some cases people walking the distance to and fro.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTH ADAMS.

The Rev. HARRY INNES BODLEY, *Rector*.CHARLES H. READ and ANSON DWIGHT MINER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms, Infants, 33; adults, 11; total, 44. Studying for the ministry, 1. Confirmed, 16. Communicants: Admitted, 21; received, 7; total added, 28; perverted, 1; removed, 5; total lost, 6; present number, 172. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 17. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 15; scholars, 168. Church: Sittings, 350. Parsonage: Fund, \$373.23. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$25,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Receipts: Alms at Holy Communion, \$110.45. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,875.15: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,375.03; collections in Sunday school, \$151.56; pew rents, \$1,919.25; subscriptions, \$90; donations, \$574.37; other sources, \$20.78; total receipts, \$4,241.44. Sunday school, \$185.22. Increase and improvement of church property, \$638.27. Charity, through the Rector, \$21.79. St. Cecilia's Guild, \$22.12. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,742.55.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. Christian or theological education, \$26.13. North Adams Hospital, \$21.62. Total for objects without the parish, \$122.75.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$14.42. Domestic: New Mexico and Arizona, \$46.43; through Woman's Auxiliary, \$90; Church Society for Promotion of Christianity among the Jews, \$6.34; total, \$142.77. Total for missionary contributions, \$157.19.

Excess of receipts, \$218.95.

Total of contributions, \$4,241.44.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON.

The Rev. WILLIAM PECK BRUSH, *Rector*.WILLIAM C. ROBINSON and DAVID W. CRAFTS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 3; total, 9. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; removed, 2; present number, 87. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 17; scholars, 71. Church: Value, \$8,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$31.04. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,580.88. Sunday school, \$40.40. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,652.32.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions in general, \$10. Jewish Mission, \$3. Total for missionary contributions, \$13.

Total of contributions, \$1,665.32.

REMARKS.

The present Rector took charge of the Parish January 1, 1885.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORTH ANDOVER.

The Rev. ROBERT BENJAMIN PARKER, *in Charge*.WILLIAM J. DALE, Sr., and A. D. BLANCHARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 6, total, 23. Confirmed, 10. Communicants Admitted, 10, received, 3; total added, 13, removed, 2, total lost, 2; present number, 71. Funerals, 3. Sunday School Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 112. Church Value, \$4,800, sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,700.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$4.00. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,177.02. Offerings at the offertory, \$1,162.46. Church Organ, \$1,000. Sunday school, \$148.80. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,020.28.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Domestic: Young Women's Guild, box sent to Omaha, valued at \$17.50; Ladies' Society, barrel to Mrs. Jennings, Virginia, valued at \$33.87, contribution to Western Missionary, \$5. Total for missionary contributions, \$45.95.

Total of contributions, \$4,136.23.

GRACE CHURCH, NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH.

The Rev. GEORGE ENDICOTT OSGOOD, *Rector*.OTIS STANLEY and ABEL R. BLOCK, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15; adults, 3; total, 18. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 6, received, 8, total added, 8, died, 3; present number, 75. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 14; scholars, 110. Church Value, \$11,000; sittings, 250. Parsonage: Value, \$4,500. Other real estate, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$17,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$57.40. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, Offerings at the offertory, \$124.71, pew rents, \$74.05, other sources, \$442.97, total, \$1,351.73. Sunday school offerings, \$53.21. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,404.95.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$4.50.

Total of contributions, \$1,409.45.

REMARKS.

The main contribution of the Parish to Missions has been the relinquishment of the liberal aid heretofore received from the Diocesan Board. Such a course has necessitated the application of all income to "Objects within the Parish." The Parish is steadily growing, and the outlook is encouraging.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, OTIS.

The Rev. SAMUEL HAVEN HILLIARD, *in Charge*.

REMARKS.

The work at Otis has been continued as last year. A service has been held every month during nine months of the year, and during the rest of the year whenever the

state of the weather and of the roads has permitted. During the winter I have been absent at the South, and the Rev. J. A. Jerome has faithfully supplied my place. Having resumed my work at St. George's, with my throat considerably improved, I hope to be able to hold the monthly service at Otis, as usual.

GRACE CHURCH, OXFORD.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

EMORY ELIHU HARWOOD and LEONARD EVERETT THAYER, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants, 15. Church: Value, \$20,000; sittings, 175. Parsonage: Value, \$3,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$23,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory (19 services), \$27.65; "Helping Hand" Society, \$65; from rent of Rectory, for insurance, \$16.77. Total for objects within the parish (of which paid the Rector \$37.50), \$109.42.

REMARKS.

This Church is temporarily closed. Services were held on Sunday afternoons (as had been the case for two or three years preceding) by the Rev. T. W. Nickerson, of Rochdale, from May 18th to October 5th, inclusive, when the arrangement ceased. We are now endeavoring to have them resumed under a Minister of our own, and have much hope — some more Church people having moved into the town — of securing enough for the accomplishment of our desire.

The Rectory is rented to two families for a total of \$168 per annum; but much of this has necessarily been expended the past year for repairs. The Church is in excellent repair; the house is in fair condition.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PEABODY.

The Rev. GEORGE WALKER, *Missionary*.

EDGAR W. UPTON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 6; total added, 12; removed, 6; present number, 84. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 55. Church: Value, \$2,000; sittings, 175. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, reported in missionary offerings. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$518.22. Sunday school, \$25. Increase and improvement of church property, \$30. Organist, \$60. Raised by a fair and by subscription towards fund for building Parsonage house, \$313.83. Total for objects within the parish, \$947.05.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, Boston, \$1.20.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11; Diocesan Temperance Society, \$2.50; total, \$13.50. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$5; temperance society, \$5; widows and orphans of clergy, \$2;

mission to Jews, \$2.50; box to Rev. A. Ross, \$50; total, \$54.50. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$6; Mexico, \$1; total, \$7. Total for missionary contributions, \$61.50.
Total of contributions, \$1,633.35.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

The Rev. WILLIAM WILBERFORCE NEWTON, *Rector*.

The Rev. JOSEPH MASON TURNER, *Assistant*.

WILLIAM T. FILLEY and JOHN A. KERNOCHAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24, adults, 5, total, 29. Confirmed, 17. Communicants total added, 30; present number, 310. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 14. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 130. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$258.09. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$4,300; collections in church, \$799.33, pew rents, \$357.92, subscriptions, \$10; investments, \$2,000, total, \$7,407.25. Sunday school, \$17.80. Parochial missions, \$25. Increase and improvement of church property, \$400. For the new Church, \$500. Insurance, \$87. Total for objects within the parish, \$8,765.14.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Convention Fund, \$47.35. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$41.00. House of Mercy, Pittsfield, \$50.37. Union of Home Work, Pittsfield, \$54.96. Parish Guild Work, \$600. Miscellaneous, \$57.03. Total for objects without the parish, \$860.39.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$50. Domestic missions in general, \$150. Foreign missions in general, \$114.52. Total for missionary contributions, \$314.52.

Total of contributions, \$9,780.05.

CHRIST CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

[Rectorship Vacant — No Report.]

The Parish became vacant, April 20, 1885, by the resignation of the Rev. Charles D. Barbour.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUINCY.

The Rev. HENRY EVAN COTTON, *Rector*.

WILLIAM AMORY, JUN., and PETER BUTLER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 24; adults, 2, total, 26. Confirmed, 11. Communicants Admitted, 11, received, 6, total added, 17; died, 4; removed, 5; total lost, 9; present number, 232. Marriages, 8. Funerals, 23. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 30; scholars, 170. Church Value, \$25,000, sittings, 330. Chapel: Sittings, 150. Parsonage: Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$30,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH — Alms at Holy Communion, and special charities, \$130. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church,

including pledges for parish house, \$862; pew rents, \$2,050; donations for parish house, etc., \$720; investments, 266; total, \$3,898. Sunday school, Parish and Sunday school needs, \$123.30. Increase and improvement of church property, \$600. For Christmas and Easter expenses, \$144.80. By Sunday school classes, \$25.34. Increase of Church Fund, \$48.27. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,909.71.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$45.50. Convention Fund, \$19.50. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$19. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$16.92. St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$14.04. Erection of churches and chapels, American Church Building Fund, \$15.48. Parish mite-chests, \$14.20. Church Temperance Society, \$29.25. Total for objects without the parish, \$173.89.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$13.50. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$10.53; Indian missions, \$9; Jewish missions, \$12.60; Lenten offering of Ladies' Sewing Society, \$55; for St. Mary's School, Dakota, (cash, \$50, box, \$40) \$90; Indian box sent to Mr. Swift, \$35; Christmas box for colored Sunday School, Richmond, Va., \$25; Testaments and Prayer Books for colored children in the South, \$6; box for missionary's children in Kansas, \$33. Foreign: Foreign missions in general, \$18.72; Mexican missions, from infant class, \$25; towards Miss Bruce's salary, \$16. Total for missionary contributions, \$349.85.

Total of contributions, \$5,463.45.

REMARKS.

It is purposed to build a Parish House during the coming year.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCHDALE.

The Rev. THOMAS WHITE NICKERSON, *Rector*.

ISAAC B. HARTWELL and CHARLES H. DEVOE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8. Communicants: Present number, 50. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 5. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$3,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$29.35. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$113.62; pew rents, \$206.20; Ladies' Aid Society, \$185.21; donations, \$55; other sources, \$66.10; total, \$626.13. Sunday school, \$18.75. Total for objects within the parish, \$674.23.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$7.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$31.99. Foreign missions in general, given by the Sunday school, \$26.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$58.49.

Total of contributions, \$740.22.

GRACE CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. JAMES POTTER FRANKS, *Rector*.

BENJAMIN SHREVE and DANIEL B. HAGAR, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 4; total, 15. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4; died, 2; present number, 146. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$247.38. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$3,454.83. Sunday school, \$28.45. Increase and improvement of church property, \$334.37. Salem Relief, \$35. Girls' Friendly Society, \$23. Christmas festival, \$78. Total for objects within the parish \$4,182.03.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal and Convention Funds included in current expenses. Easter offering, Missionary and sundry objects, \$256.87.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100.02 Domestic, \$65. Foreign, \$32.82. Total for missionary contributions, \$197.84.

Total of contributions, \$4,646.24.

REMARKS.

Grace Church attained its twenty-fifth year June 2, 1884. Pleasant services were held in commemoration. Numbers of those present at the consecration a quarter of a century ago are still with us. There was an encouraging showing in statistics. Communicant list had about doubled. Contributions for all purposes, \$92,000. A Parish reunion was held at close of religious services, at which the first Rector of the Church and the Rector of St. Peter's Church participated.

The present summer the Church is to undergo new internal improvements, and will appear as cleanly as when first consecrated. We are able to enter the roll of Churches without debt.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SALEM.

The Rev. CHARLES ABREY, D. D., *Rector*.

CHARLES E. BARNES and GEORGE R. CURWEN, *Lay-Readers*.

CHARLES H. BATES and CHARLES F. CURWEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 2; total, 12. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Present number, 300. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 13. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18. scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, and for the poor, \$392.57. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, Offerings at the offertory, \$118.48, collections in church, \$26.04; pew rents, \$3,021.28, total, \$3,164.80. Sunday school, \$110.50. Increase and improvement of church property, towards chime of bells, \$4,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,667.87.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$315.69. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$25. Erection of churches and chapels, \$15. Total for objects without the parish \$355.69.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$100.17. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$46, Freedmen, \$10; Indian, \$50; Sister Eliza W. Mrs. Paine, \$25, Faribault, \$77, missionary box to Maryland, \$70; missionary box to Dakota, \$33.60. By Sunday school, Utah Scholarship, \$40; Nashotah, \$25, Woman's Auxillary, \$4.50, total, \$410.10. Foreign missions in general, \$84.88. Total for missionary contributions, \$604.15.

Total of contributions, \$8,627.71

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SANDWICH.

The Rev. JOHN ALMA BEVINGTON, *Minister in Charge*.

CHARLES M. THOMPSON, *Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Confirmed, 1. Communicants: Present number, 15. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Church: Sitzings, 150. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, all *personal*, \$175.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$551.43; offerings at the offertory, including pledges, \$498.05; donations, \$150; total, \$648. Sunday school, \$14.84. Parish library, \$14.35. Increase and improvement of church property, \$158.35. Total for objects within the parish, \$835.54.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$11.08.

Total of contributions, \$846.62.

REMARKS.

The prospects of our Mission are such as to encourage even those who have been most discouraged by the failures and vicissitudes of several efforts to establish the Church in Sandwich. These brightening prospects are owing largely to a growing oneness of purpose and spirit coming from a belief that the Church has come to stay this time, as well as to the earnest spirit and generosity of the Warden. We have services regularly every Sunday, and in Lent week day-services. The Sunday school is not large but we think it is growing in interest and effectiveness, and will, we trust, increase before long in members.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION, SAUGUS.

The Rev. THOMAS L. FISHER, *Minister in Charge*.

LYMAN H. MORRILL, *Lay Reader*.

Baptisms, 4. Confirmed, 4. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Teachers, 9; scholars, 68.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Offertory, \$35; Sunday school offertory, \$78.50; value of gifts, \$65; total of contributions, \$178.50.

CHRIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD.

The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, *Rector*.

LEVI ROYS and FRANK OWEN, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Marriage, 1. Funerals, 2. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$16.12. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$84.90; subscriptions, \$275.55; donations, \$13.15; total, \$373.60. Sunday school (books, leaflets, and cards), \$67.64. Increase and improvement of church property, \$1,000. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,457.36.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$34. Domestic missions in general, \$2. Foreign missions in general, \$2. Total for missionary contributions, \$38.

Total of contributions, \$1,503.56.

REMARKS.

I entered upon my duties as Rector on the First Sunday in Advent, November 23, 1884.

EMMANUEL MEMORIAL CHURCH, SHELBUERNE FALLS.

The Rev. CHARLES WADSWORTH DUFFIELD, *Missionary.*

SYDNEY H. CLARK, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms: Infants, 27, adults, 2, total, 29. Confirmed, 3. Communicants Admitted, 3, received, 3, total added, 6, died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 23. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 11. Sunday school Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 110. Church: Value, \$25,000; sittings, 280. Chapel: Sittings, 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$16.13. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church and subscriptions, \$492.21; other sources, \$336.60; total, \$798.71. Sunday school, \$21.86. Total for objects within the parish, \$658.70.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$33.66.

Total of contributions, \$692.36.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, *Rector.*

REUBEN P. BENTON and SAMUEL REYNOLDS, *Church-Wardens.*

Baptisms: Infants, 21. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 4, received 11 total added, 15, removed, 8; present number, 113. Marriages, 5. Funerals, 4. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. All current expenses, including Rector's salary Offerings at the offertory, \$839.09, subscriptions, \$1,048.40; other sources, \$13, total \$1,748.56.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$35. Convention Fund, \$11. Total for objects without the parish, \$50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10.53.

Total of contributions, \$1,809.09.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, EAST SOMERVILLE.

The Rev. GEORGE W. DURELL, *Rector*.

DOUGLAS FRAZAR and THOMAS J. BARKER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 35; adult, 1; total, 36; Confirmed, 21. Communicants: Admitted, 20; received, 4; total added, 24; died, 7; removed, 12; total lost, 19; present number, 196. Marriages, 9. Funerals, 42. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 22; scholars, 192. Chapel: Sittings, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,620. Sunday school, \$48. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,668.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20; contributions to Diocesan objects, \$30; contributions to other objects, 15. Total for missionary contributions, \$65.

Total of contributions, \$1,733.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SOUTHBOROUGH.

The Rev. WALDO BURNETT, *Officiating Clergyman*.

JOSEPH BURNETT and LEANDER W. NEWTON, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 17; adults, 4; total, 21. Confirmed, 12. Communicants: Present number, 100. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 55. Church: Value, \$10,500; sittings, 220. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$13,250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$1,246.89; donations, \$533.33; total, \$1,780.22. Sunday school, \$58.28. Increase and improvement of church property, \$600. For poor, \$20. Choir, \$50.50. Choir, additional, \$168. Altar Society, \$64. General, \$56.05. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,798.27.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, 18. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$8.15. Gardner Mission Church, \$25. Jews, \$2.70. Total for objects without the parish, \$53.85.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$25.75. Domestic: Indian, \$7.50; Colored, \$6.70, total, \$14.20. Total for missionary contributions, \$39.95.

Total of contributions, \$2,892.07.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, SOUTH GROVELAND.

The Rev. ALBERT EUGENE GEORGE, *Rector*.

CHARLES A. SHAW and HARRY H. HALE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 9; adults, 5; total, 14. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 8; received, 1; total added, 9; died, 2; present number, 81. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 7. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 10; scholars, 75. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Parsonage: Value, \$2,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$25.33. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Subscriptions, \$1,020.63; other sources, \$223.72; total, \$1,243.25. Sunday school, \$39.63. For Christmas tree, from Mr. Hale, \$25. For Christmas tree, from Mrs. E. J. M. Hale, \$25. For Easter, from Mrs. E. J. M. Hale, \$25. For Parish paper, \$11. The parish, for Christmas tree, \$50. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,405.18.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$12. American Church Building Fund, \$2.26. Total for objects without the parish, \$14.26.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions (two collections), \$13. Domestic missions in general, \$6.42. Indian missions, \$1.15. Missionary box, valued at \$20.90. Home missions, package, valued at \$11; total, \$39.47. Foreign missions in general, \$0.42. Total for missionary contributions, \$50.89.

Total of contributions, \$1,478.33.

REMARKS.

I am greatly indebted as usual for kindly support and encouragement in my work to Mrs. E. J. M. Hale, of Haverhill, and other members of that family.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, SOUTH LINCOLN.

The Rev. P. H. STEENSTRA, D. D., *Minister in Charge*.

JOHN TASKEE and BENJAMIN F. GILES, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Present number, 31. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 5. scholars, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Collections in church, \$161.01, subscriptions, \$49, donations, \$110; other sources, \$408.71, total, \$728.72. Other parochial objects, \$20. Total for objects within the parish, \$748.72.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, *Rector*.

JOHN B. STEBBINS and JAMES D. BREWER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms. Infants, 51; adults 10; total, 61. Confirmed, 27. Communicants: Present number, 575. Marriages, 15. Funerals, 32. Sunday schools, 2; officers and teachers, 40; scholars, 348. Church. Value, \$65,000, sittings, 900. Parsonage. Value, \$5,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$70,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$396.95. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$1,047.81, pew rents, \$4,949.81, subscriptions, \$3,874.91, other sources, \$218.37, total, \$10,090.90. Sunday school, \$159.45. Parish library, \$154.73. Christmas tree, \$32.65. Easter flowers, \$53. Sewing Society, for the poor, \$36. Total for objects within the parish, \$10,767.95.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund \$105. Convention Fund, \$37.50. Christian or theological education, \$51. Springfield Children's Home, \$267.50. Spring-

field Women's Christian Association, \$50. Springfield Day Nursery, \$45. Total for objects without the parish, \$556.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$107.83; for mission in Chicopee, \$250; total, \$357.83. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$66.02; for the freedmen, \$50; for Bishop Whitaker, \$36.57; Sunday school, scholarship in Girls' School, Virginia City, Nevada, \$60; for St. Paul's Church, Salem, Va., \$20; for Jews, \$19.44; Sunday school penny collections, \$10; boxes for Sisseton Mission (Indian), \$90; total, \$352.03. Foreign: For Africa, \$25; for Japan, \$35; Sunday school, scholarship in China, \$50; Sunday school penny collections, \$5; total, \$115. Total for missionary contributions, \$824.91.

Total of contributions, \$12,148.86.

REMARKS.

During the past year a fund of \$1,200, accumulated in the few years past, has been increased by general contribution in the parish to \$5,000, with which has been purchased a new organ, which will be finished and placed in the Church by the first Sunday in September.

Mission Services have been held by the General Missionary and the Rector for the past six months in the adjacent town of Chicopee, leading to a renewal of interest in the Church there, and resulting in a repurchasing and repairing of the building formerly belonging to the church, and its reconsecration on the coming Visitation of the Bishop in the present month. A most efficient and devoted Lay-reader, Mr. Daniel D. Addison, of the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge, is in charge of this Mission, which now has a regular attendance of over 200 persons and 40 communicants, to whom the Sacrament is administered once a month by the Rector.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STOCKBRIDGE.

The Rev. ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Rector*.

DANIEL B. FENN, Jun., and WILLIAM PITT PALMER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 1; total added, 4; died, 4; removed, 1; total lost, 5; present number, 142. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 12. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$70,000 (approximately); sittings, 210. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$70,000 (approximately).

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$448.73, deducting \$217.12 specially appropriated, \$231.61. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,939.28; Sunday school, Christmas tree, \$73.50; parochial missions, \$300; increase and improvement of church property (approximately), \$20,000; for the poor, \$110.63. Total for objects within the parish, \$23,655.02.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$30. Convention Fund, 22.50. Episcopal Clerical Fund (for the relief of aged, disabled, or indigent clergymen of the Diocese), \$49.72. Total for objects without the parish, \$102.22.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$97.65. Domestic missions, \$328.29. Missions in general, \$81. Total for missionary contributions, \$506.94.

Total of contributions, \$24,264.18.

REMARKS.

The new St. Paul's Church was consecrated Nov. 12, 1884, the Bishop and twenty of the clergy being present.

A beautiful stained window has been placed in the chancel, to the memory of the Rev. S. P. Parker, D. D., the cost, \$1,500, being met by a subscription among Dr. Parker's friends and former parishioners.

A beautiful organ, the gift of Mr. Butler's children, forms part of the munificent gift which the parish has received.

The parish work has gone on as usual. The missionary boxes have been sent as heretofore.

The Rev. S. H. Hinward, rector at Lee, continues to take a portion of the services at South Lee.

CHRIST CHURCH, SWANSEA.

The Rev. OTIS OLNEY WRIGHT, *Rector*.

WILLIAM H. FRANKS and HENRY O. WOOD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptism, Infant, 1; Communicants: Present number, 23. Marriages, 2. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 40. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 200. Investments, \$1,500. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$4,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aids at Holy Communion, \$21.69. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$17; subscriptions, \$315, donations (salary), \$100; investments, \$71; other sources, \$50, total, \$533. Sunday school, \$10.89. Parish library, \$8. Increase and improvement of church property, \$20.70. Total for objects within the parish, \$612.28.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$6. Clergyman's Retiring Fund Society, \$2.70. Total for objects without the parish, \$8.70.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$20. Foreign Missions in general, \$3.50. Total for missionary contributions, \$23.50.

Total of contributions, \$650.54.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. FRANCIS MANSFIELD, *Rector*.

WILLIAM H. PLEADWELL and JASON H. HAYWARD, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms Infants, 8, adults, 4, total, 12. Confirmed, 12. Communicants. Admitted, 9, received, 4, total added, 13, present number, 142. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 6. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, about 21, scholars, 141.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aids at Holy Communion, \$83. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,207.04. Offerings at the offertory, \$84.94, pew rents, \$694.56; subscriptions, \$284.15; other sources, \$77.15, total, \$1,140.80.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, TAUNTON.

The Rev. CHARLES H. LEAROYD, *Rector*.WM. C. LOVERING and WM. H. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10; adults, 5; total, 15. Confirmed, 14. Communicants: Admitted, 14; received, 3; total added, 17; died, 5; removed, 6; total lost, 11; present number, 325. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 18. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 25; scholars, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$363.12. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$4,580.82. Sunday school, \$296.15.; increase and improvement of church property, \$175.31; robing room, \$16.30. Total for objects within the parish, \$5,431.70.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$56. Convention Fund, \$45. Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$50; aid to other parishes, \$179; missionary boxes, \$128. Total for objects without the parish, \$458.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$230.27. Domestic missions in general, \$188.45; special offerings, \$108; total, \$296.45. Foreign missions in general, \$150.52; special, \$22; total, \$172.52. Total for missionary contributions, \$699.24.

Total of contributions, \$6,588.94.

TRINITY CHURCH, VAN DEUSENVILLE.

The Rev. JAMES SAMUEL ELLIS, *Rector*.PERRY G. COMSTOCK, and ALEXANDER SNYDER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptism: Infant, 1. Communicants: Received, 1; died, 1; present number, 46. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4, scholars, 65. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$800. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$10,800.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$337; collections in church, \$34.69; donations, \$4.50; other sources, rent of parsonage, \$81; total, \$120.19. Sunday school, \$7.40; increase and improvement of church property, \$270. Total for objects within the parish, \$727.59.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$17.24. Domestic missions in general, \$2. Foreign missions in general, \$2. Total for missionary contributions, \$21.24.

Total of contributions, \$748.83

REMARKS.

The present Rector took charge Advent, 1884.

GRACE CHURCH, VINEYARD HAVEN.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

WILLIAM D. STEWART, M. D., and S. G. TRIPPE, *Church-Wardens*.

Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Admitted, 2; removed, 2; present number, 19. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 12. Church: Value, \$3,300; sittings, 125.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Aims at Holy Communion, \$22.72. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$62.50. Offerings at the offertory, \$92.32. Sunday school, \$10. Increase and improvement of church property, \$350. Total for objects within the parish, \$537.64.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$5.
Total of contributions, \$543.64.

REMARKS.

Grace Mission Church has had no regularly installed Rector since its organization, September 25, 1882. The church edifice was erected early in the year 1883, and was opened for Divine Service June 3, 1883, and consecrated by the Right Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts, June 16, 1883. (See Journal Ninety-fourth Annual Meeting of the Convention, 1884, Page 177, Report of Rev. John A. Jerome, Officiating Clergymen for the six months ending June 29, 1884.) From July 6, 1884, to August 31, 1884, Rev. Dr. Addison, of Trinity Church, and Rev. Dr. Elliott, of Ascension Church, Washington, D. C., visiting clergymen for rest, kindly served us. Rev. Dr. Roberts officiated Sunday, September 14th, Rev. J. S. Beers, Sunday, September 21st, Rev. Dr. Douglass October 12th, and Rev. B. E. Gifford, October 26th and November 2, 1884, administering the Holy Communion on the last named date, since which time we have had no service in Grace Church. April 6th, Easter day, reorganization and resumption of Sunday school, Thomas Tuckerman, superintendent.

The congregation of Grace Church esteem it a privilege to express their grateful appreciation of the generous kindness of Col. and Mrs. E. G. Trippe, of Providence, R. I., for enhancing the comfort and convenience of worship by alterations and improvements to the chancel by an expenditure at their own expense of \$325, the benefit of whose wise counsel, generous liberality and fervent Christian spirit is felt and acknowledged. Col. Trippe is the esteemed Junior Warden of Grace Church.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. STEWART, *Senior Warden.*

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WAKEFIELD.

[Rectorship Vacant]

WILLIAM HALL WILLIAMS, *Lay Reader.*

WILLIAM E. ROGERS, *Church-Warden.*

Baptisms, Infants, 2. Communicants: Died, 3. Funerals, 2. Sunday school—Officers and teachers, 10, scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$5,200, sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$573.61; Ladies' Guild, \$29, total, \$602.51. Sunday school, \$29. Increase and improvement of church property, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$731.51.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, WALTHAM.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector*.The Rev. HENRY S. NASH, *Assistant*.

Baptisms: Infants, 5; adult, 1; total, 6. Confirmed, 2. Communicants: Admitted, 2; received, 8; total added, 10; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 60. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 6. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 12; scholars, 95. Church: Value, \$11,000; sittings, 300. Chapel: sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$36.67. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,030.75. Pew rents, \$419.70; subscriptions, \$231.38; donations, \$176.38; other sources, \$224.07; total, \$1,051.73. Sunday school, \$25.20. Increase and improvement of church property, \$27.26. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,092.57.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$3.

Total of contributions, \$1,095.57.

REMARKS.

That more has not been done is due to two causes: *First*, The dull times, which have tried us very greatly, and but for which our financial showing would have been decidedly better this year than last. *Second*, The personal ineffectiveness of the present incumbent, owing to the fact that other work has absorbed the better part of what strength he has.

CHRIST CHURCH, WALTHAM.

The Rev. THOMAS F. FALES, *Rector*.WILLARD R. STAFFORD, *Lay Reader*.MOSES E. OSGOOD and OTIS E. HUNT, M. D., *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adults, 2; total, 8. Confirmed, 11. Communicants: Admitted, 12; received, 3; total added, 15; died, 1; removed, 2; total lost, 3; present number, 165. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 10. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 16; scholars, 110. Church: Value, \$10,000; sittings, 500. Chapel: Value, \$3,000; sittings, 300. Parsonage: Value, \$5,600. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$18,600.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$147. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$2,132. Easter offering, \$613. Increase and improvement of church property, \$532. Other parochial objects, \$100. Total for objects within the parish, \$3,387.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$45. Convention Fund, \$19.50. Clerical Retiring Fund, \$12. Total for objects without the parish, \$76.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$68.80 Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$29.12; Jewish mission, \$4.38; total, \$33.50. Foreign missions in general, \$28.79. Total for missionary contributions, \$128.09.

Total of contributions, \$3,571.59.

REMARKS.

The usual services have been sustained, and not without encouraging proofs of the Lord's blessing.

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, WAREHAM.

The Rev. JOHN ALMA BEVINGTON, *in Charge*.

JAMES N. EDMONDSTON, *Lay Reader and Church-Warden*.

Baptisms: Infants, 10. Confirmed, 3. Communicants: Admitted, 3; received, 2; total added, 12; present number, 35. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7, scholars, 56. Church: Value, \$12,000, sittings, 240. Chapel, sittings, 100. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including rector's salary, \$1,109.72. Offerings at the offertory, including pledges, \$1,309.71. Sunday school donation, \$17.50, total, \$1,327.21. Sunday school, \$58.10. Increase and improvement of church property, \$130. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,515.31.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic: The Woman's Auxiliary sent a box to a missionary and family in Indiana, valued at \$32.

Total of contributions, \$1,547.31.

REMARKS.

The Rector wishes to place on record in the Diocese the great gratitude which the people of the Church of the Good Shepherd feel towards Major James N. Edmondston for the faithful care and loving ministrations with which he has fostered the work in this place, from its inception to the present day. To his zealous devotion we owe much of that prosperity which attends us as a Parish to-day, and which encourages us to hope for a useful and prosperous future.

The Church has just been made the recipient of a beautiful font, in memory of Mary Herbert, a daughter of the late Colonel Franklin Harwood. The font was given by Mrs. Harwood, and was used for the first time on Easter Day. It consists of a carved oak cross, six feet high, on the stem reposes a large white shell, brought especially for this purpose from the Indian Ocean. At the back of the font is a handsome dossal in blue and gold surmounted by a pure white dove in token of the Spirit of Baptism. It stands in our Church, a thing of great beauty and use, a fitting memorial of one of those of whom it is written, "They are without fault before the throne of God."

MISSION AT WATERTOWN.

The Rev. EDWARD A. RAND, *in Charge*.

Baptisms: Infants, 8; adults, 3; total, 11. Confirmed, 4. Communicants: Present number, 27. Funerals, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 4; scholars, 40, total, 44.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion (included in general offertory). All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$270.70, Ladies' Aid Society, \$60; total, \$330.70. Sunday school: Offerings at offertory and sales and Lenten savings, \$42.87. Total for objects within the parish, \$463.57.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Woman's Auxillary, \$4.88; church work among the Jews, \$1; total, \$5.88.

Total of contributions, \$409.45.

REMARKS.

The services started at Watertown a year ago last autumn have been continued with encouragement. A very interesting Sunday school has been maintained, and the ladies have shown great interest in the starting of a Church building fund, the Sunday school assisting.

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, WEBSTER.

The Rev. ALBERT UPHAM STANLEY, *Rector*.

JAMES H. HOWE and JAMES FRANCIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 15. Confirmed, 6. Communicants: Admitted, 6; received, 3; total added, 9; died, 1; removed, 1; total lost, 2; present number, 110. Marriages, 4. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 11; scholars, 90. Church: Value, \$12,000; sittings, 320.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$25. All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$1,656.39; Sunday school, \$50.42. Increase and improvement of church property, \$200; other parochial objects, \$275. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,206.81.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Episcopal Fund, \$52.50. Convention Fund, \$22.50. For other objects without the parish, \$5. Total, \$80.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Domestic missions in general, \$5.

Total of contributions, \$2,291.81.

REMARKS.

The present Rector took charge September the eighteenth, 1884. For several months the Parish had no Rector, and the offerings were somewhat diminished. The Parish is now in a prosperous condition. Last Christmas Day a bell was given by Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Slater, and rung for the first time. A very beautiful white altar-cloth has been wrought by some ladies in the Parish, and was presented at Easter.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, WESTFIELD.

The Rev. HERBERT NOEL CUNNINGHAM, *Rector*.

E. MINOR POMEROY and THEODORE DANGLEMEYER, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 11; adults, 7; total, 18. Confirmed, 8. Communicants: Admitted, 9; received, 5; total added, 14; removed, 12; present number, 37. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 7; scholars, 40. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 200. Total valuation of property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$472.69. Ladies' Aid Society, \$261.70. Total, \$734.39. Sunday school, \$17.37. Total for objects within the parish, \$751.76.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$4. Convention Fund, \$2.00. Hospital for incurables, box worth \$6. Total for objects without the parish, \$12.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.25. Domestic missions in general, \$3.30. Foreign missions in general, \$3.30. Total for missionary contributions, \$21.85.

Total of contributions, \$786.61.

REMARKS.

Last year a number of communicants were reported who have since been removed from the list, as having no right to the name, never having communicated since the present Rector came into residence, nor, so far as he can ascertain, for some time before. Last year's number was taken in good faith, from a list handed to the present Rector, and supposed by him to be accurate.

TRINITY CHURCH, WEYMOUTH.

The Rev. CHARLES H. BAGGS, *Minister in Charge*.

EDWARD AVERY and CHARLES A. CHESMAN, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Died, 4; present number, 49. Funerals, 3. Sunday School: Officers and teachers, 8; scholars, 56. Church: Value, \$5,000; sittings, 250. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$5,000.

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Collections in church, \$160.66; subscriptions, \$507.98, donations, \$15; total, \$683.64. Sunday school, \$19.84. Total for objects within the parish, \$703.48.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Foreign missions in general, \$1.51.

Total of contributions, \$704.99.

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, WILKINSONVILLE.

The Rev. JOHN GREGSON, *Rector*.

HARVEY DODGE and DANIEL M. CHASE, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 9, died, 1; removed, 19; total lost, 20; present number, 54. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 6; scholars, 41.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$30.45. All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Pew rents, \$354.70, other sources, \$65, total, \$419.70. Other parochial objects, \$9.65. Total for objects within the parish, \$459.80.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Convention Fund, \$6, Central Convocation, \$5.86, General Clergy Relief, \$6.70. Total for objects without the parish, \$18.56.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Diocesan Board of Missions, \$29.05. Foreign missions in general, \$6.60. Total for missionary contributions, \$35.65.

Total of contributions, \$514.

REMARKS.

The number of communicants returned from St. John's Parish is smaller than last year's report showed, because those who live in Millbury are this year reckoned as removed, and their names will hereafter be kept on the register at Millbury. The Sunday school is smaller for the same reason. Together we report 73 communicants this year, as against 65 last year.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION CHURCH, WILLIAMSTOWN.

The Rev. JAMES OTIS LINCOLN, *Missionary*.

Baptisms: Infants, 6; adult, 1; total, 7. Confirmed, 7. Communicants: Received on letter, 7; total added, 14; died, 1; removed, 3; total lost, 4; present number, 50. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1. Church: Sittings, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary, \$557.43; increase and improvement of church property, \$33.76. Total for objects within the parish, \$591.19.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$26.71. Domestic: Mission to the Jews, \$4.04. Total for missionary contributions, \$30.75.

Total of contributions, \$621.94.

REMARKS.

From sale of articles left from Ladies' Society the previous year, the sum of \$32.26 was realized. (This is under improvement of Church property.)

At Christmas a new cabinet organ was given to the Mission by friends, and has proved a very great assistance in the music.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, WINCHESTER.

The Rev. CHARLES MORRIS ADDISON, *Missionary*.

CARLTON PUTNAM MILLS, *Lay Reader*.

IRVING S. PALMER, *Church-Warden*.

Baptism: Adult, 1. Confirmed, 5. Communicants: Admitted, 5; received, 2; total added, 7; died, 1; removed, 4; total lost, 5; present number, 46. Marriages, 2. Funeral, 1. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 50. Church: Value, \$7,500; sittings, 200. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$7,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$260.33; subscriptions, \$151.50; donations, \$29.18; other sources, \$206.09; total, \$647.10. Increase and improvement of church property, \$6,500. Other parochial objects, \$105. Total for objects within the parish, \$7,252.10.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.39. Domestic: Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews, \$2.37; box, through Woman's Auxilliary, to Mrs. Burgwin, Aspen Wall, Va., \$60; total, \$62.37. Total for missionary contributions, \$77.76.

Total of contributions, \$7,329.86.

REMARKS.

Since the last report, the Church so much needed has been built. Work on it was begun in August, 1884, and on Sunday, January 25, 1885, the first service was held in it. Of the \$7,500 required, all but \$1,000 has been paid, and it is confidently expected that this debt will soon be removed, and the Church consecrated before the summer.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOBURN.

The Rev. J. FRANK WINKLEY, *Rector*.

JOHN WALKER and JAMES H. HIGGINBOTHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 20. Confirmed, 7. Communicants. Admitted, 8; received, 11; total added, 19. total lost, 10; present number, 80. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 4. Sunday school. Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 30. Church. Value, \$6,000; sittings, 300. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$6,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$142.08; subscriptions, \$27; donations, \$123.50; from without, \$155.49; total, \$448.07.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, WOOD'S HOLL.

The Rev. CHARLES McILVAINE NICHOLSON, *Rector*.

WILLIAM WILFRED CAMPBELL, *Lay Reader*.

HENRY HOWARD FAY and ALMON PACKER STURGIS, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 3. Communicants: Present number, 37. Marriages, 2. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 9; scholars, 15. Church: Value, \$4,000; sittings, 275. Rectory: Value, \$7,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$11,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — Aids at Holy Communion, \$110.57. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at the offertory, \$284.32; subscriptions, \$1,208.25; donations, \$80; other sources, \$283.29; total, \$1,855.86. Sunday school, \$28.78; other parochial objects, \$50.58. Total for objects within the parish, \$2,085.73.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH — Girls' Friendly Society, \$49.18.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$65.01. Foreign and domestic missions, \$394.46. Total for missionary contributions, \$459.47.

Total of contributions, \$2,594.44.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. ALEXANDER H. VINTON, *Rector*.

EDWARD L. DAVIS and CHARLES M. BENT, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 25, adults, 8, total, 33. Confirmed, 18. Communicants: Admitted, 19; received, 11. total added, 30. died, 5; removed, 34. total lost, 39, present number 354. Marriages, 10. Funerals, 31. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 40, scholars, 400. Church: Sittings, 900; chapel, Sittings, 300. Value of church and chapel, \$140,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$140,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$411.69. All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Pew rents, \$7,590.60; other sources, \$410.44; total, \$8,001.04. For the Sunday school: Offering in church, \$96.47; parish library, \$19.05; departments parish work, \$670; Woman's Missionary Society, \$69.72; sundry objects, \$391.28. Total for objects within the parish, \$9,659.25.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH.—Episcopal Fund, \$140; Convention Fund, \$60; Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, \$27.06; St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Boston, \$22.45; Christian or theological education, \$32.06; Orphan's Home, Worcester, \$72.90; Church Temperance Society, \$50.04. Total for objects without the parish, \$404 51.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$103.85. Mission at Gardner, \$50; St. Thomas's, Cherry Valley, \$50.65; mission at Chicopee, \$25; total, \$229.50. Domestic: Domestic missions in general, \$110.35; missions to Jews, \$25.06; missions to Indians, \$41.80; Lent offering of Sunday school, \$133.79; total, \$311. Foreign missions in general, \$10.80. Total for missionary contributions, \$551.30.

Total of contributions, \$10,615.06.

REMARKS.

The present Rector entered upon his duties the first Sunday in September, 1884. In the statistics of the year no record has been entered of the contributions made to various charitable and missionary objects by the parochial organizations.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. FRANCIS GUILD BURGESS, *Rector*.

LEMUEL A. BISHOP and ISAAC N. METCALF, *Church-Wardens*.

Baptisms: Infants, 12; adults, 7; total, 19. Confirmed, 30. Communicants: Present number, 118. Funerals, 4. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 18; scholars, 115. Church and land: Value, \$15,500; sittings, 208. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$15,500.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH.—All current expenses, including Rector's salary: Offerings at offertory, \$1,122.21; subscriptions (building fund), \$3,000; ladies' sale, \$262.18; other sources, \$18; total, \$4,402.39. Parish library, \$30. Total for objects within the parish, \$4,432.39.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.—Within the Diocese: Diocesan Board of Missions, \$15.19; St. Thomas's Mission, Cherry Valley, \$6; total, \$21.19. Domestic: Box to clergyman in Iowa, valued at \$20. Total for missionary contributions, \$41.19.

Total of contributions, \$4,473.58.

REMARKS.

St. John's was organized as a Mission by the Rev. Dr. Huntington, March 11, 1883. First regular service was held Epiphany, 1884. The Parish was incorporated Sept. 16, 1884. The Rector entered upon his duties on the First Sunday in Advent last. The first service in the Church was on Christmas Day.

As Mission or as Parish, St. John's has received, with the exception of a trifling sum, no financial aid outside of the city or of our own communion. Nor has it been

at any time the officially recognized mission of any other parish, all assistance rendered being purely personal. The congregation has already outgrown the Church. The people are thoroughly united, organized, and in earnest.

The above report is of course for only a small fraction of a year. The Treasurer's figures are for the period since date of incorporation. The Rector's more especial report — baptisms, confirmations, etc — is simply for the period of rectorship. The entire report comes down only to Easter.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WORCESTER.

The Rev. HENRY HAGUE, *Rector*.

M. J. WHITTALL and JAMES CUNNINGHAM, *Church-Wardens*.

Confirmed, 11. Communicants. Received, 7; total added, 18; removed 1, present number, 125. Marriages, 12. Funerals, 18. Church. Value, \$2,000. Buildings, 20. School building: Value, \$6,000. Total valuation of the property belonging to the parish, \$8,000.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH — Alms at Holy Communion, \$57.67. All current expenses, including Rector's salary; Pew rents, \$452, subscriptions, \$439, total, \$891. Sunday school, \$125. Increase and improvement of church property, \$360. Poor of the parish, in addition to alms at Holy Communion, \$39. Total for objects within the parish, \$1,483.67.

OBJECTS WITHOUT THE PARISH. — Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society, \$52. Erection of churches and chapels, \$62. Total for objects without the parish \$67.50.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$16 19, Domestic missions in general, \$6; Foreign missions in general, \$1.25. Total for missionary contributions, \$23.44.

Total of contributions, \$1,574.61.

TRINITY CHURCH, WRENTHAM.

[Rectorship Vacant.]

CHARLES SEYMOUR DOGGETT and ELIJAH POND, *Church-Wardens*.

Communicants: Present number, 40. Funerals, 3. Sunday school: Officers and teachers, 3; scholars, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

OBJECTS WITHIN THE PARISH. — All current expenses, including Rector's salary. Offerings at the offertory, \$98.74; pew rents, \$39.13; (pledges), \$239.50; other sources, \$263.33, total, \$640.70.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS. — Diocesan Board of Missions, \$18.34.

Total of contributions, \$659.04.

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PERSONAL REPORTS.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese:

In addition to my work in Cambridge, as Professor of Church History in the Episcopal Theological School, I have officiated in other ways, by reading service, preaching, and administering the Sacraments, as opportunity has been offered me.

Very respectfully,

ALEXANDER V. G. ALLEN.

CAMBRIDGE, May 6, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have no public official acts to report during the past year, except an occasional assisting in the administration of the Holy Communion, and the solemnizing of one marriage. But I have had frequent opportunities of ministering at the bedside of the sick and in the homes of the sorrowing, a privilege for which I have been deeply grateful.

WM. R. BABCOCK.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R. I., May 4, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have continued work as General Missionary through the year, and the record of my official acts will be found in my report made to the Diocesan Board of Missions.

Yours respectfully,

NATICK, May 5, 1885.

JOHN S. BEERS.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D.

Rt. Rev. Sir,—I have passed the year of my diaconate as a Master of Groton School. In this way my work has been, of course, principally teaching boys. I have assisted the Rev. Mr. Peabody in the Sunday services in Groton, preaching myself several times in the course of the winter. I have preached a few times away from Groton, in North Andover, Quincy and Lincoln, and have assisted twice in the Holy Communion.

I am very respectfully yours,

SHERRARD BILLINGS.

GROTON, MASS., May 5, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—During the past year I have abstained from all services, under medical advice.

ABBOTT BROWN.

NEW YORK, May 3, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts

By reason of the infirmities of age, I still find myself unable to officiate in the public services of the Church. During the past year I have baptized two children and officiated in one marriage service.

J. T. BURKILL.

CHELSEA, May 4, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

Since my last annual report I have been unable, during most of the year, to undertake any ministerial duty, or even to attend public worship. I have officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer and preached eleven times in the Diocese of Albany, and five times in the Diocese of Vermont, and administered the Lord's Supper three times. Nearly a year ago, in reviewing my ministerial life of forty years, I found that I had read the entire service for Morning or Evening Prayer, and preached or lectured over seven thousand times. Present indications render it highly improbable that I shall ever be able to make many additions to this number of my public services.

E. H. CANFIELD.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have performed services five Sundays at Wood's Holl, three Sundays at Sandwich; one Sunday at Barnstable. With these exceptions I have performed service on Sunday during the year, when not necessarily absent. I have baptized one infant

HIRAM CARLETON.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts

During the past year I have regularly discharged the duties of my office as Chaplain of the City Institutions, South Boston

The work assigned me is very different from ordinary parish labor. It is fully mission work, and, as the very venerable past Chaplain was accustomed to say, "I am impressed with the fact that these prisoners are human beings, and need very much the same truths as other men." There is no Church sentiment, or associated Christian effort to appeal to in my public addresses to them, no exhortation to be faithful in their relative Christian duties, no urging them to be active in the great work of Christian civilization, and yet I find quite enough in the "law and gospel" to furnish ample instruction for the great variety of character, found in my Chapel, each Sunday. At the Lunatic Hospital, we have about two hundred patients. The attendance at this Chapel is drawn from the convalescents. Most of the congregation unite very heartily in the responses and singing. At the Chapel of the House of Correction the prisoners are not allowed to respond at all, but they listen intently and reverently to the service. The congregation will average about four hundred, but the ministrations of the Chaplain in the course of the year will reach a thousand. For it is the duty of the Chaplain to converse with every prisoner on the expiration of his sentence, and give such counsel as the case may suggest. During the suspension of

Sunday services at the Institutions, in July and August, I supplied the pulpit for the Rev. Mr. Short, of Malden. When possible, I have also assisted the Rector of St. Matthew's, South Boston.

JONAS B. CLARKE.

SOUTH BOSTON, May 6, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I can add to my regular Annual Report, that during the Summer months I read, with the sanction of the Bishop of New Hampshire, Morning Prayer in a school house at Shelburne, N. H. Many of the people of the town attended and expressed their gratitude for the service.

J. I. T. COOLIDGE.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—I officiated at St. John's Mission (afterwards Parish), Worcester, from March 9 to October 19, 1884; most of that time as Minister-in-Charge. Since the expiration of my services there, I have, in this and neighboring Dioceses, officiated or assisted in many services.

Respectfully yours,

May 2, 1885.

EDWARD S. CROSS.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

Rt. Rev. Sir,—My resignation as Rector of the Parish of Christ Church Andover, after nine years' work, took effect May 26, 1884. Since then I have had no stated parochial charge in the Diocese, though ready and willing to work. I have, however, during most of the Conventional year conducted services, administered Holy Communion, and discharged other clerical offices, by invitation and voluntarily, both in this Diocese and elsewhere. Finding it convenient to spend the latter part of the winter in a milder climate than Eastern Massachusetts affords, I took temporary charge of the Parish of the Chapel of the Cross, at Chapel Hill, N. C., during the months of February, March, and April, 1885. I am now preparing to return homeward, though unable to reach Boston in time to attend the approaching Convention of the Diocese. My record of official acts and services from Easter Day, 1884, to the present date is as follows: Baptisms, 2; funeral, 1; celebrations of Holy Communion, 10; assisted at celebrations of Holy Communion 3 times; held services 107 times; assisted also in a number of services; preached 74 times, and also delivered divers addresses.

MALCOLM DOUGLASS.

Presbyter of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., April 28, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

From the time of the last meeting of the Convention until the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, I remained in charge of St. Peter's, Beverly. From the Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity until Easter, I had charge of Trinity, Haverhill. I also officiated on one Lord's Day each at St. Mary's, Dorchester, St. James's, Keene, N. H., and Good Shepherd, Boston, and on two Lord's Days at St. Paul's, Malden. I have also celebrated the Holy Communion many times in the Mission Church of St. John the Evangelist, Boston, and St. John the Evangelist, Haverhill, and once in the Chapel of the Sisters of the Holy Name, Cortes Street, Boston.

WILLIAM J. W. FINLAY.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

I respectfully report, clerical services performed, on various occasions, in different churches of this Diocese, sermons preached, celebrations, and assistance at the celebration of the Holy Communion on several occasions.

F. A. FOXCROFT.

CAMBRIDGE, May 1, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

Since the last Convention I have been more or less employed in Church work, principally supplying in places in the Southeastern part of the Diocese, where services have recently been established. I have officiated two Sundays in Marion, several Sundays, as also on Christmas, in Wareham, seven in Sandwich, two in Harpstable, one in Provincetown, several in Vineyard Haven, two in Nantucket, seven in Wood's Holl. I have also preached in Bridgewater, Brockton, Natick, and in Trinity Church, Washington, D. C. I conducted the usual Friday Litany service in the Bishop's Church, Atlanta, Georgia, and assisted in the Sunday services in the Church at Montgomery, Ala. and in Trinity Church, New Orleans.

Sincerely yours,

NEW ORLEANS, May 3, 1885.

BENJAMIN R. GIFFORD.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

My Dear Bishop.—During the past year, I have continued to exercise my duties as Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, and Professor of systematic Theology therein, including the care of the services in St. John's Memorial Chapel, in which the Rev. Professor Lawrence is associated with me. I append the statistics of this latter part of my work, and, as will be seen, the congregation which gathers in the Chapel, though not parochially organized, contributes liberally, as heretofore, to Church and charitable causes. The Chapel is also the place of worship of many Harvard students, for whom it was more directly intended. All relationships with them devolve upon Mr. Lawrence.

As to the School, there have been on our list twenty-seven names. Of these thirteen are of your own jurisdiction, to whose general fidelity I am happy to testify, as also to the excellent spirit and conduct of all. In June last, ten completed their studies, and at the coming commencement the total number who shall have gone from us into the Ministry will be ninety-four.

During the year the school has met with a great loss in the death of one of its original Trustees and most devoted friends, Mr. James S. Amory, whose departure is a loss also to the Diocese and the Church.

There have been granted us many tokens of the Divine favor, not only in the spreading interest manifested in our young Institution, but also in the generous aid afforded us towards meeting an increased expenditure with inadequate regular income.

Thanking you for your own many kindnesses,

Yours faithfully,

GEO. Z. GRAY.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

During the past year I have resided here, and have officiated occasionally as health and opportunity permitted. I served two Sundays in St. Paul's Church, Holyoke, in the absence of the Rector, and on Christmas Day, in St. John's Northampton, and I have rendered some assistance several times to the Rector of St. James's, Greenfield.

Respectfully yours,

GREENFIELD, May 4, 1885.

LEWIS GREEN.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

The undersigned has conducted Divine service, preached and administered the Holy Communion one Sunday at each of the following places, viz.: Webster, Haverhill, Cambridge (St. John's), Medford, Lawrence (Grace Church), Groton, Cambridgeport, and assisted in the Easter Celebration at Christ Church, Cambridge. He has also performed the marriage service once.

DAVID GREENE HASKINS.

CAMBRIDGE, May 6, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

Since the date of my last annual report, I have continued to discharge my duties as Chaplain at this Post. I have baptized five (5) persons, married three (3) couples, and officiated at five (5) funerals. My health was such that I was obliged to be absent more than two months last year.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

OSGOOD E. HERRICK, *Post Chaplain, U. S. Army.*

FORTRESS MONROE, VA., May 1, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

During the past Conventional year, I have baptized one infant, performed one marriage ceremony, assisted Clergymen in their services, and officiated in various Churches and Missions.

JOHN C. HEWLETT.

BOSTON, MASS., May 6, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — I have been providentially prevented from preaching and otherwise officiating in public during the whole of this year. Some private ministrations, among which were the baptism of one infant, three marriages and one burial, are all that I have done.

I am faithfully and truly yours in the Lord,

N. HOPPIN, *Presbyter.*

May 6, 1885, Feast of St. John before the Latin Gate.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir, — Since my ordination on the eighteenth of last June, I have supplied different parishes during the absence of the Rectors, or on account of vacancies. The time of supplying has varied from one to three months, according to the time the Rectors were absent. Among the parishes supplied were St. Luke's, Chelsea; St. John's, Millville; The Ascension, East Cambridge, and Trinity, Bridge-water. I have also supplied, for one Sunday, at various other parishes. During the last five months I have frequently assisted the Rev. E. M. Gushee, at St. Peter's, Cambridge, in the administration of the Holy Communion, and in other ways. Since my ordination, I have assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion once in each month, and in some months three times. I have also officiated at three funerals. In addition to the above I have pursued a post-graduate course of study at the Theological School, in Cambridge.

Yours faithfully,

WILLIAM HYDE.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

I have to report that by reason of disability I have been unable to conduct any public services the past year.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant in Christ,

NORTH MIDDLEBOROUGH, May 3, 1885.

JOSEPH JENKE.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

From November 16th to April 26th I was in charge of St. George's Church, Lee in the absence of the Rector, and have officiated on all but a few of the other Sunday days of the Conventional year.

JOHN A. JEROME.

WEYMOUTH, MASS., May 6, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

The undersigned would respectfully report that during the past Conventional year, by reason of physical disability, he has preached but few times. He has baptized 4, married 5, and officiated at 13 funerals.

THOS. B. LAMBERT.

HOTEL OXFORD, May 3, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

During the past year I have performed the duties of the Chair of Homiletics and Pastoral Care in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge. I have also continued in charge of half the work connected with the services in St. John's Memorial Chapel, and of any responsibilities that may result from the relationship between the Chapel and the students of Harvard University.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE.

To the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese.

During the past Conventional year I have officiated in various parishes, as occasion has required, both within and without the limits of this Diocese.

I have performed my regular duties as Secretary of the Central Convocation of Massachusetts, and have also preached before the Convocation in All Saints' Church, Worcester, at its last meeting in February. Among others, I assisted in the service at the consecration of St. Thomas's Church, Cherry Valley, and also at the first Episcopal Visitation at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Worcester. The greater number of all the baptisms, and marriage and funeral services performed by me having been within the limits of St. Matthew's Parish in Worcester, a record of the same has been made accordingly in the Register of that parish.

My residence has continued, as before, at Worcester.

GEORGE STURGIS PAINE.

May 5, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

During the past year I have officiated at a Mission in Groton, and since October have been Head-Master of Groton School.

ENDICOTT PEARODY.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,— Excepting during a brief illness, I have officiated in the duties of the Sacred Ministry from Sunday to Sunday, and on many week days during the Conventional year about to close. My engagement at Christ Church, Fitchburg, began October 5, 1884, and will continue to the first Sunday in June, 1885.

Faithfully yours,

G. W. PORTER.

WRENTHAM, Mass., May 5, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I do hereby state that for about eight years past, from October 1st to June 1st following, I have spent my time in Kentucky teaching a High School, and conducting Church Services on Sundays continuously some of the years, in others alternate Sundays, in some only occasionally; sometimes assisting the Bishop of the Diocese in his ministrations; these labors of mine being devoted to Ascension Church, in Mount Sterling, Montgomery County, Ky. My labors have not been required at this Church this year now closing, as it now has a permanent Rector. Owing to ill health, I have not labored much lately. But during my sojourn in Mattapoisett, Mass., each Summer, I have preached for different Churches, last Summer, 1884, officiating several Sundays, successively, at Ascension Church, East Cambridge, and at St. Luke's Home, Boston Highlands, Mass.

DANIEL S. C. M. POTTER.

MOUNT STERLING, Montgomery Co., Ky., April 24, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I beg leave to report that during the last Conventional year I have officiated, so far as the state of my health would allow, and occasion has served, in this Diocese, and in the Diocese of Maryland.

Very respectfully yours,

PLYMOUTH, May 5, 1885.

J. A. SANDERSON.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

The undersigned respectfully reports the following occasional public Services performed by him, during the last Conventional year: Read Prayers on 17 occasions, assisted therein 13 times, preached 21 times, celebrated the Holy Communion once, and assisted therein 4 times, burial service, 1. Sundry private visitations of the sick, and of others in affliction.

SAMUEL R. SLACK.

○ BOSTON, MASS., May 6, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

Having been fully occupied in teaching, I have had no opportunity for clerical duties.

CARLOS SLAFTER.

DEDHAM, May 6, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

During the past year I have devoted a large part of the time to correspondence, and to such other work as was necessary for the extension and enrichment of the historical collections of the Diocese. As in former years, I have assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion at Trinity Church, in this city.

EDMUND F. SLAFTER.

BOSTON, May 13, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—Since July, 1884, my place of residence has been the city of Leipzig, Saxony. I have here attended lectures on theology and philosophy as a student of the University.

My official acts have been as follows: I have twice assisted in the reading of the service in the English Church, and have also preached five times for the English chaplain.

Very respectfully yours,

LANGDON C. STEWARDSON.

LEIPZIG, SAXONY, April 24, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts:

I have been engaged during the Conventional year in the duties of my pastorate of St. Paul's Chapel, College Point, L. I., and my school work in the city of New York.

EDWARD H. TRUE.

NEW YORK, No. 8 East Forty-Seventh Street, May 4, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

I have officiated in different Parishes, or given lectures in the same during a good part of the Sundays of the Conventional year, and in other respects have been occupied with the same sort of duties which have commanded my time and thought for several years.

JULIUS H. WARD.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

Dear Sir,—From the time of the last Diocesan Convention until January 1, 1885, I was Assistant Minister at St. Matthew's Church, South Boston. Assistant Chaplain at the Church Home for Orphan and Destitute Children, and also employed by the Episcopal City Mission to carry on its Church work at City Point. In this varying line of duty, services, preaching, calls, Sunday School leadership, chorus-choir training, and instruction of children fell to my lot.

On January 4, 1885, I preached my last sermon at St. Matthew's Church, but continued my position at the City Point. On February 8, 1885, I renewed my relations with St. Matthew's Church, and became again the Assistant Minister, yet with fewer duties there than before. I also had been appointed Minister in Charge of our Church work at City Point under the name of St. Matthew's Chapel. A beautiful Church building has been erected by the Episcopal City Mission on an excellent site and I trust that our occupation of this tasteful edifice, which we expect soon to use, will give an impetus and life to our Church work at City Point, such as it has never known before. We can never forget the noble generosity of the gentleman and his wife, in whose private hall our services and Sunday school have been held. My connection with the Church Home has ceased.

For statistics of contributions, baptisms, funerals, marriages, see the report of St. Matthew's Church, and also the report of St. Matthew's Chapel.

And I remain faithfully yours

ALFRED FOSTER WASHBURN *Deacon.*

Assistant Minister of St. Matthew's Church, and Minister in Charge of St. Matthew's Chapel, South Boston, Mass.

May 6, 1885.

To the Rt. Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D. D., Bishop of Massachusetts.

In addition to the usual round of Sunday and often other services, constant labor for the press, and work in the Church and other associations, during the year past, I have given much time to the explorations in Egypt in writing on and securing financial aid for them.

WM. C. WINSLOW

BOSTON, May 6, 1885.

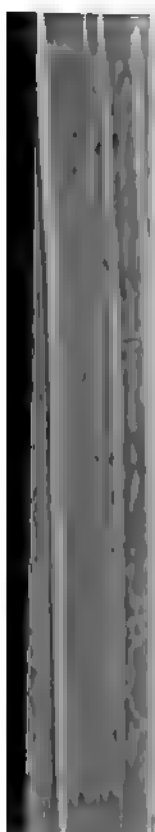
PLACES.

Adams
 Amesbury.....
 Amherst.....
 Andover.....
 Arlington.....
 Ashfield.....
 Beverly.....

Boston.....

Watertown.....
 Webster.....
 Westfield.....
 Weymouth.....
 Wilkinsonville...
 Williamstown...
 Winchester.....
 Woburn.....
 Wood's Holl.....
 Worcester }
 Wrentham.....
 Gen'l Missionary ..

* No Report.



APPENDIX B.

CH. THE DIOCESE OF MASS. in account with CHARLES H. LEABOYD, Treas.

By Balance from last year.....	\$115 40
By Assessment of Grace Church, Amherst.....	18 00
" Christ Church, Andover.....	18 00
" St. Peter's Church, Beverly.....	18 00
" Church of the Advent, Boston.....	30 00
" Emmanuel Church, Boston.....	17 50
" Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston.....	30 00
" Church of the Messiah, Boston.....	30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Boston.....	120 00
" Trinity Church, Boston.....	120 00
" St. Margaret's Church, Brighton.....	12 00
" St. John's Church, Charlestown.....	30 00
" All Saints' Church, Dorchester.....	18 00
" St. Mary's Church, Dorchester.....	22 50
" St. John's Church, East Boston.....	10 00
" St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain.....	37 50
" St. James's Church, Roxbury.....	45 00
" St. John's Church, Roxbury.....	22 50
" St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.....	30 00
" St. Paul's Church, Brookline.....	37 50
" Christ Church, Cambridge.....	37 50
" St. James's Church, Cambridge.....	32 50
" St. Peter's Church, Cambridge.....	27 00
" Calvary Church, Danvers.....	5 00
" St. Paul's Church, Dedham.....	30 00
" Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.....	18 00
" Church of the Ascension, Fall River.....	37 00
" Christ Church, Fitchburg.....	27 00
" St. John's Church, Framingham.....	5 00
" St. John's Church, Gloucester.....	14 25
" St. James's Church, Great Barrington.....	22 50
" St. James's Church, Greenfield.....	18 00
" St. Andrew's Church, Hanover.....	15 00
" Trinity Church, Haverhill.....	10 00
" St. Paul's Church, Holyoke.....	21 00
" Church of the Ascension, Ipswich.....	15 00
" St. Luke's Church, Lanesborough.....	5 00
" Grace Church, Lawrence.....	20 00
" St. George's Church, Lee.....	2 00
" Church of Our Saviour, Longwood.....	20 00
" St. Anne's Church, Lowell.....	20 00
" St. John's Church, Lowell.....	14 00
" St. Stephen's Church, Lynn.....	20 00
" St. Paul's Church, Malden.....	18 00

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THE DIOCESE OF MASS. in account

By Assessment of	St. Michael's Church, Marblehead.....	15 00
"	Grace Church, Medford.....	24 00
"	Trinity Church, Melrose.....	13 50
"	St. John's Church, Millville.....	5 00
"	St. Paul's Church, Natick.....	4 50
"	Grace Church, New Bedford.....	37 50
"	Grace Church, Newton.....	37 50
"	St. Mary's Church, Newton.....	18 00
"	St. John's Church, North Adams.....	22 50
"	St. Stephen's Church, Pittsfield.....	30 00
"	Christ Church, Quincy.....	12 50
"	Christ Church, Rochdale.....	7 50
"	Grace Church, Salem.....	27 00
"	St. Peter's Church, Salem.....	30 00
"	Emmanuel Church, Somerville.....	15 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Adams, for 1883-84.....	15 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Southborough.....	18 00
"	Christ Church, Springfield.....	40 50
"	St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge.....	22 50
"	St. Thomas's Church, Taunton.....	45 00
"	Christ Church, Waltham.....	19 50
"	Church of the Reconciliation, Webster.....	22 50
"	Church of the Atonement, Westfield.....	2 00
"	St. John's Church, Wilkinsonville.....	6 00
"	St. John's Church, Wilkinsonville, for 1883-84.....	6 00
"	Church of the Messiah, Wood's Holl.....	15 00
"	All Saints' Church, Worcester.....	60 00
"	St. Mark's Church, Boston, for 1883-84.....	23 98
"	Church of the Good Shepherd, Clinton.....	18 00
"	St. John's Church, Arlington.....	12 00
"	House of Prayer, Lowell.....	9 00
"	St. Paul's Church, Newburyport.....	27 00
"	St. John's Church, Ashfield.....	3 75
"	Christ Church, Hyde Park.....	22 50
"	St. Thomas's Church, East Somerville.....	9 00
"	St. Paul's Church, Hopkinton.....	5 00
		\$2,034 45

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1884.		
May 14,	Paid bill of Secretary, official expenses.....	\$6 75
" 15,	" Rev. C. H. Duffield.....	6 00
" 15,	" Rev. J. E. Lindholm.....	9 00
" 15,	" Rev. C. D. Barbour.....	2 00
" 20,	" Sexton of Trinity Church.....	21 90
" 20,	" Rev. Dr. Clinch.....	5 00
June 6,	" H. O. Houghton & Co.....	5 45
Aug. 30,	" bill of Secretary.....	325 99
" 30,	" " E. C. Waterman.....	56 90
" 30,	" " Cupples, Upham & Co....	52 50
1885.		
Feb, 25,	" for transcribing Journal	30 00
March 9,	" Rev. Edmund F. Slafter.....	25 00
April 1,	" Rand, Avery & Co.....	1,036 40
" 30,	" Bishop Paddock.....	31 66
May 4,	" Treasurer.....	100 00
" 4,	" postage, stationery and printing.....	11 25
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		\$1,725 80
Balance on hand.....		<hr/>
		308 65
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		\$2,034 45

ANNUAL ACCOUNT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIO-
CESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS, 1864-1885.

RECEIPTS.

From Amesbury, St. James's.....	\$34 26
Amherst, Grace	27 97
Andover, Christ	17 28
Arlington, St. John's.....	30 61
Ashfield, St. John's.....	26 00
Athol, St. John's	5 00
Beachmont	3 00
Beverly St. Peter's	28 95
Boston, Advent	172 18
" All Saints'	32 55
" Emmanuel,	1 076 81
" Evangelist's.....	30 86
" Good Shepherd.....	120 33
" Grace, South Boston.....	30 46
" Holy Spirit, Mattapan.....	10 00
" Messiah.....	221 68
" St. Ann's, Dorchester.....	24 30
" St. James's, Roxbury	46 30
" St. John's, Charlestown	38 93
" St. John's, Highlands.....	52 24
" St. John's, Jamaica Plain.....	100 00
" St. John the Evangelist's	354 93
" St. Margaret's, Brighton.....	11 80
" St. Mark's	10 00
" St. Mary's, Dorchester.....	37 83
" St. Matthew's	10 23
" St. Matthew's Chapel.....	2 38
" St. Paul's.....	1,486 17
" Trinity	1,726 45
Bridgewater, Trinity.....	53 53
Brockton, St. Paul's	30 01
Brookline, St. Paul's.....	480 92
Cambridge, Ascension	40 67
" Christ.....	128 30
" St. James's	73 84
" St. John's Memorial	210 00
" St. Peter's	35 00
Chelmsford, All Saints'	17 15
Chelsea St. Luke's	15 00
Cherry Valley St. Thomas's	10 00
Clinton Good Shepherd.....	67 25
Concord, Trinity	6 00
Danvers, Calvary	10 00
Dedham, Good Shepherd	26 75
" St. Paul's	189 88
East Attleborough	2 25
Easthampton, St. Philip's	15 86
Fall River, Ascension	63 60
" St. James's	8 23
" St. John's	24 80
" St. Mark's	1 90
Fitchburg, Christ	116 00
Framingham, St. John's	51 25
Gardner, St. Paul's	5 50
Gloucester St. John's	27 91
Great Barrington, St. James's	39 39
Greenfield, St. James's	95 21
Groton.....	50 00
Hanover, St. Andrew's	47 25
Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist's	2 00
" Trinity	15 69
Hingham, St. John the Evangelist's	18 00
Holyoke, St. Paul's.....	75 49
Hyde Park, Christ	12 00
Ipswich, Ascension	11 00
Lanesborough, St. Luke's	3 38
Lawrence, Grace	67 90

om Lawrence, St. John's	10 00	
Lee, St. George's	11 00	
Lenox, Trinity	40 08	
Lexington, Redeemer	11 10	
Littleton	1 72	
Longwood, Our Saviour	189 21	
Lowell, St. Anne's	130 17	
" St. John's	33 00	
House of Prayer	22 75	
Lynn, St. Stephen's	50 89	
Malden, St. Paul's	76 09	
Marblehead, St. Michael's	47 50	
Medford, Grace	72 60	
Medway, Christ	13 20	
Melrose, Trinity	23 24	
Middleborough	10 13	
Millford, Trinity	18 14	
Millbury	9 55	
Millville, St. John's	25 86	
Nantucket, St. Paul's	15 08	
Natick, St. Paul's	28 02	
New Bedford, Grace	47 70	
Newburyport St. Paul's	98 16	
Newton, Grace	79 55	
Messiah	71 03	
St. Mary's	12 00	
North Adams, St. John's	14 42	
Northampton St. John's	10 00	
North Andover, St. Paul's	2 62	
North Attleborough, Grace	4 50	
Peabody, St. Paul's	11 00	
Pittsfield St. Stephen's	70 03	
Plymouth Christ	8 10	
Rochdale, Christ	25 83	
Salem, Grace	100 02	
St. Peter's	109 17	
Sheffield, Christ	34 00	
Shelburne Falls, Emmanuel Memorial	23 66	
Somerville, Emmanuel	20 83	
St. James's	10 87	
Southborough, St. Mark's	25 75	
South Groveland, St. James's	13 88	
South Williamstown	2 93	
Springfield, Christ	107 88	
Stockbridge, St. Paul's	104 28	
Swansen, Christ	26 00	
Swanwich	11 08	
Taunton, St. John's	6 00	
St. Thomas's	230 27	
Van Deusenville, Trinity	17 24	
Vineyard Haven, Grace	6 00	
Waltham, Christ	68 75	
Ware	5 67	
Westfield, Atonement	15 25	
Wilkinsonville, St. John's	31 98	
Williamstown, St. John's	26 06	
Winchester, Epiphany	15 52	
Wood's Holl, Messiah	184 33	
Worcester, All Saints	103 85	
St. John's	15 19	
St. Matthew's	24 87	
Wrentham, Trinity	10 57	
dividual and Special Gifts		\$10,587 62
ecial for work of General Missionary		824 87
stburn-Morgan Fund		767 50
ecial Gifts for Special Parish Uses		428 09
		337 50
		\$12,945 18

PAYMENTS.

To Amesbury, St. James's	\$275 00	
Ashfield, St. John's	41 02	
Bridgewater Trinity	408 25	
Brighton, St. Margaret's ..	200 00	
Brockton, St. Paul's	416 63	
Cambridge, Ascension	225 00	
Chelmsford All Saints'	179 45	
Cherry Valley, St. Thomas's ..	200 00	
Concord, Trinity	400 00	
Danvers, Calvary	154 76	
Fall River, St. John's	179 45	
Fall River, St. James's and St. Mark's Missions	500 00	
Frammingham, St. John's	100 00	
Gardner St. Paul's	175 00	
Gloucester, St. John's	200 00	
Hingham, St. John the Evangelist's	87 50	
Lee St. George's	350 00	
Medway Christ	200 00	
Milford, Trinity	150 00	
Millbury Mission	200 00	
Millville St. John's	125 00	
Nantucket, St. Paul's	83 33	
Natick, St. Paul's	308 33	
Newton, Messiah	175 00	
Ott's St. Paul's	100 00	
Oxford, Grace	25 00	
Peabody, St. Paul's	193 63	
Plymouth, Christ	291 66	
Rochdale, Christ	300 00	
Sheffield, Christ	101 28	
Sheburne Falls, Emmanuel Memorial ..	400 00	
Swansea, Christ	200 00	
Van Deusenville, Trinity	107 68	
Westfield Atonement	500 00	
Wilmington, St. John's	200 00	
Williamstown, St. John's	400 00	
Winchester, Epiphany	150 00	
Work of General Missionary		\$28,240 39
Publication and distribution of "The Diocese"		1,200 00
Printing		135 81
Secretary's Expense account, 2 years ..		69 36
Treasurer's Expense account		7 01
Expense of Missionary Meetings ..		93 06
Special Parish uses ¹		8 05
Extinguishment of debt of 1883-84 ..		437 70
Balance to account of 1885-86		1,904 61
		149 00
		<hr/> \$12,945 18

J. S. BLATCHFORD, *Treasurer*

May 5, 1885.

¹ In Statements of Receipts and Payments the items "Special Gifts for Special Parish Uses" refer to special gifts made through the treasury of the Board, but which are not a part of its regular appropriations for current work.

**SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS
OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN OF THE PROTESTANT
EPISCOPAL CHURCH, DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.**

INVENTORY OF THE ANNUITY FUND, APRIL 30, 1885.

<i>Investments.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Policy No. 4,245, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Co.,	\$10,287 64	\$10,287 64
“ No. 3,848, “ “ “ “ “	17,808 46	17,808 46
\$3,000 Chicago 7 per cent. bonds (water), due 1890 and 1892....	3,000 00	3,495 00
2,000 “ “ “ (sewer), “ 1888.....	2,000 00	2,147 50
5,000 Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis Railroad Company 7 per cent. bonds, due 1899.....	5,000 00	6,250 00
2,000 Newport, Ky., 7 3-10 per cent. bonds (water), due 1901,	2,000 00	2,335 00
1,000 Boston 5 per cent. bond (registered), due 1905.....	1,000 00	1,180 00
4,000 Massachusetts 5 per cent. bonds (registered), due 1893 and 1894.....	4,000 00	4,540 00
1,000 Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago Rail- road Company 6 per cent. bond, due 1920.....	1,000 00	1,012 50
5,000 Burlington and Missouri River (in Nebraska) Railroad Company 6 per cent. bonds (exempt), due 1918.....	5,000 00	5,900 00
3,000 Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company 4 per cent. bonds (Denver division), due 1922.....	3,000 00	2,838 75
5 shares Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago Railroad Company.....	500 00	250 00
5 shares Great Falls Manufacturing Company.....	500 00	292 00
26 “ Atlantic Cotton Mills.....	2,600 00	2,600 00
15 “ Lyman Mills.....	1,500 00	937 50
22 “ State National Bank.....	2,200 00	2,640 00
20 “ Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R. R. Co.....	2,000 00	1,400 00
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	\$63,396 10	\$65,914 35

INVENTORY OF THE CHARITY FUND, APRIL 30, 1885.

<i>Investments.</i>	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Policy No. 3,854, Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Co.,	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00
\$7,000 Eastern Railroad Co. 6 per cent. (gold) bonds, due 1906,	7,000 00	8,400 00
4,000 New Bedford Railroad Co. 7 per cent. bonds, due 1894,	4,000 00	4,720 00
4,000 Burlington and Missouri River (in Nebraska) Railroad Company 6 per cent. bonds (non-exempt), due 1918....	4,000 00	4,200 00
30 shares Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago Railroad Co.....	3,000 00	1,500 00
25 shares Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Railroad Com- pany.....	2,500 00	1,750 00
4 shares Massachusetts National Bank.....	1,000 00	1,020 00
7 “ Washington National Bank.....	700 00	938 00
14 “ Boston National Bank.....	1,400 00	1,603 00
17 “ Traders' National Bank.....	1,700 00	1,615 00
20 “ National Webster Bank.....	2,000 00	2,215 00
18 “ Second National Bank.....	1,800 00	2,718 00
20 “ National Bank of North America.....	2,000 00	2,125 00
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	\$36,100 00	\$37,804 00

Dr HARCOURT AMORY, Treasurer, in account with the SOCIETY FOR THE

1884.		Charity.	Annuity.
May 1,	To cash on hand	\$446 71	\$249 63
" 20,	To contribution from Trinity Church, Boston	50 00	
July 2,	To bond for \$1,000. City of Chicago, matured and paid.		1,000 00
Nov. 4,	To contribution from St. Thomas's Church, Taunton .	25 00	
" 19,	To contribution from Grace Church, Lawrence.	28 78	
" 24,	To contribution from St. Paul's Church, Boston .. .	78 14	
Dec. 18,	To return tax on bank stock	208 45	
" 18,	To contribution from All Saints' Church, Worcester...	27 06	
1885.			
Jan. 6,	To contribution from St. George's Church, Lee	4 00	
" 17,	To contribution from St. James's Church, Great Bar-		
	ington	12 20	
" 17,	To contribution from Christ Church, Quincy	9 00	
Feb. 3,	To contribution from Grace Church, New Bedford .. .	39 24	
" 25,	To contribution from St. Paul's Church Holyoke . .	5 20	
March 9,	To contribution from Church of Our Saviour, Longwood,	72 00	
" 21,	To contribution from St. Paul's Church, Boston...	10 00	
April 15,	To contribution from St. John's Church Jamaica Plain	25 00	
" 30,	To amount received in dividends and interest, to date	1,631 00	2,904 62
" 30,	To amount received from payments of annuitants, to		
	date		427 25
" 30,	To amount received from dues of members, to date .	10 00	
		\$2,576 92	\$4,670 90

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BOSTON, May 2, 1885. The undersigned has examined the foregoing account, and finds it correctly cast and properly vouched. I have seen the evidences of property on hand belonging to the Society, amounting in all at par value to \$99,496, at a market value of \$103,718.35.

FRANCIS C. FOSTER, Auditor.

THE EPISCOPAL

Dr.

ANNUAL REPORT of the TREASURER, for

Payments to Beneficiaries.

1884.				
May 21.	Beneficiary No. 1.....	\$150 00		
" "	" No. 2.....	200 00		
" "	" No. 3.....	236 00		
" "	" No. 4.....	200 00		
" "	" No. 5.....	300 00		
Nov. 4.	" No. 3.....	236 00		
" 19.	" No. 1.....	150 00		
	" No. 2.....	200 00		
Dec. 29.	Balance of appropriation to Beneficiary No. 4, to defray			
" "	expenses of last sickness and burial.....	200 00		
				\$1,270 00

Invested.

1885.			
Apr. 25.	5 shares Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad.....	\$610 63	
	Balance to new account.....	806 13	
			\$1,286 76

INVESTED FUNDS.

Burlington and Missouri (in Nebraska) 6 per cent. bonds.....	\$1,600 00
" " " 7 per cent. bonds (land grant)....	2,000 00
United States registered 4 per cent. bonds	900 00
Northern Pacific Railroad 6 per cent. bonds	6,800 00
30 shares Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad.....	
Burlington and Missouri Railroad 4 per cent. bonds—Randolph M. Clark	
Memorial Fund	12,000 00

CLERICAL FUND.

the year ending MAY 1, 1885.

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1884.		
May 13.	Balance from last year.....	\$966 60

Parochial Contributions.

May 13.	Messiah, Boston.....	\$16 67
" 20.	St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.....	26 40
" 24.	Annual Convention.....	120 37
June 23.	Ascension, Fall River.....	5 00
Sept. 16.	St. Anne's, Lowell.....	8 40
Oct. 25.	St. Mark's, Southborough.....	8 15
Nov. 17.	Christ, Cambridge.....	8 82
Dec. 1.	St. John's Memorial, Cambridge.....	55 00
" 27.	Grace, Amherst.....	7 76
" "	Grace, Newton.....	5 00
" 29.	St. Paul's, Newburyport.....	30 20
" 30.	St. Paul's, Stockbridge.....	49 72
" 31.	Trinity, Milford.....	4 00
" "	Christ, Medway.....	1 20
" "	Emmanuel, Boston.....	133 40
" "	St. Peter's, Salem.....	25 34

1885.		
Jan. 2.	St. Andrew's, Hanover.....	14 00
" 26.	Christ, Quincy.....	16 92
" 31.	St. Michael's, Marblehead.....	4 86
" "	St. Paul's, Boston.....	273 66
Feb. 25.	St. Paul's, Holyoke.....	5 20
April 9.	St. Paul's, Dedham.....	10 00

\$830 07*Income from Invested Funds.*

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy dividends.....	\$200 00
Northern Pacific Railroad coupons.....	390 00
Burlington & Missouri coupons.....	248 00
Interest on U. S. 4 per cent. bonds.....	36 00

\$874 00*Donations.*

1884.		
May 16.	Thank offering, anonymous.....	\$5 00
" "	Robert T. Paine, Jr.....	80 00

\$ 85 00

<i>Randolph M. Clark Memorial Fund.....</i>	<i>480 00</i>
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Sundry other Receipts.

1884.		
May 13.	Chicago, Burlington & Quincy rights sold.....	\$35 61
	Interest on N. E. Trust Company deposits.....	15 48

\$51 09

\$3,286 76

1885.		
May 1.	Balance from old account.....	\$806 13

APPENDIX C.

A Standing Order of Business and Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

A. M.

At the hour appointed for the opening of the Convention, the President shall take the chair, when the order of procedure shall be as follows. —

I. 1. The Lord's Prayer, and the "Prayer to be used at the Meetings of Convention."

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats and votes, and of those entitled only to seats in the Convention. He shall then call the names of Parishes, and receive certificates as by Sect. 4 Canon 2 Title I.

3. The President shall appoint a Committee on Qualifications, to whom the list of the Clergy and the Credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred.

II Morning Prayer, and Sermon or Charge, and the administration of the Holy Communion.

III 1. Immediately after Divine Service, the Committee on Qualifications shall report. The Convention shall act at once and without debate, upon all undisputed names and credentials. All questions of membership raised by the Committee or by the Convention shall be laid aside temporarily.

2. The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates, as the same shall have been approved by the Convention.

3. A constitutional quorum of both Orders being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business.

4. The election of a Secretary.

5. The reading of the Rules of Order of the last Convention.

6. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees: viz., a Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, to consist of three Clergymen and three Laymen, a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to consist of five members, three Clergymen and two Laymen, an Executive Committee, — for nominating the Preachers of Sermons before this Body and for recommending the time and place for holding the next Convention, — to consist of three members, two Clergymen and one Layman, a Committee on Unfinished Business, and a Committee on Finance, to consist each of three members, one Clergyman and two Laymen.

7. The receiving and referring of papers in respect to the admission of new Parishes.

8. A recess shall be ordered.

P. M.

IV. Report of the Committee on Qualifications, on Certificates and Documents, laid aside. The Convention shall take immediate action. Subsequent Reports of the Committee on Qualifications shall be in order at any time.

V. 1. The Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he shall prefer another time for its delivery.

2. Reference of matters therein contained, if so ordered, to Committees.

3. Presentation of subjects by resolutions, to be referred without debate to Standing or Special Committees.

VI. Reports and action upon them, in the following order:—

1. Parochial Reports to be received by the Bishop.

2. Report from the Committee on New Parishes, the Admission of the Parishes, and the Reception of their Lay Delegates.

3. Report from the Standing Committee.

4. Report from the Diocesan Board of Missions.

5. Reports from the Convocations.

6. Reports from Special Committees appointed at the preceding Convention.

7. Report from the Treasurer of the Convention.

8. Report from the Registrar of the Convention.

9. Report from the Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

10. Report from the Episcopal Church Association.

11. Report from Trustees of Fund for the Erection of Churches, etc.

12. Report from the Trustees of Donations.

13. Report from the Margaret Coffin Prayer-Book Society.

14. Report from the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

15. Report from the Episcopal Clerical Fund.

16. Reports from any other Church or Charitable Societies recognized by the Convention.

17. Reports from any of the Standing Committees of the Convention, in their order, as in III., 6. If any report be not ready in the order prescribed above, more time may be allowed; and it shall be presented and be in order at the first vacancy in the regular business after it shall be prepared.

VII. Miscellaneous business.

VIII. Adjournment to the second day.

SECOND DAY OF THE SESSION.

IX. 1. Morning Prayer at 9 A. M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the first day, and action upon them.

3. The calling of the Roll.

X. 1. The finishing of the business which was under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Convention.

2. The disposal of unfinished business in the order above prescribed for the first day.

XI. 1. The Standing Committees shall be called in their order; reports may be received from any of them, and action may be taken thereon.

2. Reports of Special or other Committees on matters referred to them during the session, and action thereon.

XII. Miscellaneous business.

XIII. Elections, to be proceeded with at 11 o'clock A. M., in the following order:—

1. Of Treasurer of the Convention.

2. Of Registrar.

3. Of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

4. Of Deputies to the General Convention.

5. Selection of persons to be nominated to the General Convention, or to the Board of Trustees, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

6. Election of Members of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

7. Election of Committee on the Increase of the Episcopal Fund.

8. Election of Committee on entertaining the Clerical Members of the Convention.

XIV. Miscellaneous business.

XV. Adjournment to the third day, if the Convention be prolonged.

THIRD OR OTHER SUBSEQUENT DAY OF THE SESSION.

XVI. 1. Morning Prayer, reading, etc., of the Minutes, reception of new members, calling of the roll, and finishing of business under consideration at last adjournment, as on the second day.

2. The disposal of the unfinished business of the Convention, in the order above prescribed.

XVII. When the Convention shall be prepared to adjourn without day, there shall be reading of the Minutes not already approved, and action thereon, then, after Prayers and Benediction by the President, the Convention shall stand so adjourned, without day.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.
No member shall absent himself from the Convention unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the Convention, nor more than once, until others desiring to speak shall have spoken.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse. Every member who shall be in the Convention when any question is put shall vote, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the Convention for reasons assigned.

RULE II. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

RULE III. No motion shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded by a member not belonging to the same Parish with the mover, and every motion, shall, if required, be reduced to writing, and the name of the mover appended.

RULE IV. When the report of a Committee is presented, it shall be read, and entered on the Minutes unless otherwise determined by the Convention, and, if accompanied by resolutions, the question shall be on adopting them.

RULE V. When a question is before the Convention, it shall be in order — 1. To lay on the table, 2. To postpone to a day certain, 3. To commit, 4. To amend, 5. To postpone indefinitely, and motions for any of these proceedings shall have precedence in the order in which they are here named, and a question on any of these shall be decided before the original motion.

RULE VI. If the question under debate contains distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

RULE VII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried the matter before the Convention shall be proceeded with as if no such amendment had been offered.

RULE VIII. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

RULE IX. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking, and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate.

RULE X. All questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Convention.

RULE XI. Record shall be made upon the Minutes of every motion or resolution which is put upon its passage, or upon which any action allowed by Rule V. shall have been taken; but, with the consent of the Convention, the mover may withdraw a motion or resolution at any time before such action has been taken, or it has been put upon its passage, in which case it shall not be entered on the Minutes.

RULE XII. An address or communication from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

RULE XIII. A question having been decided shall not be reconsidered during the same session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor unless the motion to reconsider be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority on the original decision.

RULE XIV. In elections by ballot, the polls shall be closed when the Tellers or Committee appointed to count the ballots withdraw from the room in which the Convention is held, and no clerical or lay members shall be allowed to vote after that time, except by direct permission of the Convention, on the application in form of each member desiring so to vote, and the reasons of his not having previously voted shall be stated by him to the Convention before his application is entertained. The Secretary of the Convention shall cause to be printed, and distributed among the members of the session, two (2) printed ballots as follows. The first shall be headed, "Standing

Committee elected by the preceding Convention;" then shall follow the names of the members of said Standing Committee. The second shall be headed, "Deputies to the General Convention elected by the preceding Convention." Then shall follow the names of such Deputies and Substitutes; and this second ticket shall be presented to that Convention only when such election would be in order. And in each ballot there shall be, after the printed names, a blank space not less than the amount of space occupied by the printed matter in each ticket.

RULE XV. At the request of the President, or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

RULE XVI. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

RULE XVII. The Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention.

RULE XVIII. For the suspension of any part of the Standing Order of Business, or of any of the Rules of Order, the consent of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

GUIDE IN ORGANIZING NEW PARISHES.

A Resolution of the Convention (Journal of 1871, pp. 45, 46, and 196) recommended, as a guide to new Parishes in organizing, a Form of Constitution and By-Laws.

At the Meeting of the Convention in 1883, a Special Committee was appointed to consider the possible legality of the Form for Constitution and By-Laws in the organization of Parishes.

At the Meeting of the Convention in 1884, this Committee reported a Form of Constitution or By-Laws for Parishes, which (Journal of 1884, pp. 91-94) was substituted for that adopted in 1871.

The Form adopted in 1884 is preceded by important requirements of the Constitution of the Diocese; viz., —

ARTICLE 12.

ADMISSION OF A PARISH INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

SECTION 1. To entitle a Parish to admission into union with the Convention, such Parish shall submit to the Convention a certified copy of its Articles of Association, or other satisfactory evidence of its organization (or, if specially incorporated, of its Charter), and of its Constitution and By-Laws: in which it must be declared that such Parish accedes to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship, the Constitution and Canons, of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese; and such Parish shall lay before the Convention written evidence, subscribed by the Wardens and Vestry, that it has been duly organized as such for the space of one year, and during that time has held regular public services.

SECT. 2. Copies of said Articles of Association or Charter, and of the Constitution and By-Laws of such Parish, together with the circumstances and need of its organization, must also be submitted to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese, at least one month before the Annual Session of the Convention, and be approved by them respectively; or, if not so approved, he or they shall report to the Convention the reasons in writing of such disapproval. The whole subject, with all the documents, shall be referred to a special committee of three Clerical and three Lay Members of the Convention, to report thereon.

The Resolution and the Recommended Form of Constitution or By-Laws for Parishes are as follows:—

Resolved, That in order to secure as much uniformity as local circumstances will permit, and also to place the management of Parish affairs on a wise and just basis, the following Form of Constitution or By-Laws is recommended:—

FORM OF BY-LAWS FOR PARISHES, RECOMMENDED BY THE CONVENTION.

[Note that ten or more persons are required in order to form a religious society under the laws of Massachusetts. The forms to be observed in order to become a corporation are very distinctly stated in the Public Statutes, Chapter 38, Sections 35 and 36.]

CONSTITUTION OR BY-LAWS.

[Date.].....

PREAMBLE.

1 The undersigned have associated themselves together for the purpose
2 of maintaining the public worship of Almighty God, according to the
3 faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United
4 States of America, under the name [The name should include
5 the word "Parish" and the place], and have adopted the fol-
6 lowing articles as the By-Laws of the Parish.

I.

AUTHORITY ACKNOWLEDGED.

1 This Parish accedes to the Constitution, Canons, doctrine, discipline,
2 and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of
3 America, and to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Massa-
4 chusetts, and acknowledges their authority.

II.

MEMBERSHIP.

<p>Pub. Stats. Chap. 38, § 4.</p> <p>Taylor v. Edson, 4 Cushing's Reports, p. 122.</p> <p>Pub. Stats. Chap. 38, § 4.</p>	<p>1 Any baptized male person of the age of twenty-one years, who has 2 signed the Constitution and By-Laws of the Parish, and who has aided 3 in maintaining public worship therein for a period of twelve months 4 immediately preceding any meeting, either by regular attendance 5 thereon or by pecuniary aid in hiring a sitting, or otherwise, shall be 6 considered a member of the Parish, and entitled to vote in its affairs, 7 and any member who, for the space of twelve consecutive months, 8 shall have refrained from regular worship, and from contributing to- 9 ward the support of the Parish, may, by a vote of the Parish, be 10 dropped from the list of members. No person who disclaims or re- 11 fuses conformity to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church 12 shall be eligible to office in the Parish, or entitled to vote in its affairs.</p>
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III.

ANNUAL MEETING.

1 The Annual Meeting shall be held on Monday in Easter week, in such
2 place as the Wardens and Vestry may appoint, for the choice by ballot

3 of two Wardens, who shall be communicants in this Church, and who
 4 shall perform the duty of Assessors; a Treasurer who shall be the Col-
 5 lector; a Clerk; and .. Vestrymen; and they shall serve until the next
 6 Annual Meeting, and until others are elected and qualified in their
 7 stead. All of the above-named officers and the Rector shall constitute
 8 the Board of Rector, Wardens and Vestry, hereinafter denominated
 9 "The Vestry." The Wardens, Treasurer and Clerk shall be sworn.
 10 Delegates to the Diocesan Convention shall also be chosen at the An-
 11 nual Meeting, in such manner as the members present may determine.

Pub. Stats.
Chap. 88,
§§ 10, 48.

Pub. Stats.
Chap. 88,
§§ 9, 14.

IV.

SPECIAL MEETINGS.

1 Special meetings may be called by the Wardens or Vestry at any
 2 time, and shall be called by the Wardens whenever so requested in
 3 writing by the Rector or by five members of the Parish. Vacancies in
 4 any office may be filled at any Parish meeting.

Pub. Stats.
Chap. 88,
§§ 10, 48,
12, 17.

V.

WARRANT AND PRESIDING OFFICER.

1 All meetings of the Parish shall be warned by posting an attested
 2 copy of the warrant calling the same upon one of the doors of usual
 3 public entrance to the church or place of worship occupied by the
 4 Parish, seven days at least before the day fixed for the meeting. The
 5 Rector if present, or in his absence one of the Wardens, shall preside;
 6 in the absence of the Rector and the Wardens, a moderator shall be
 7 chosen by ballot; members present shall suffice for a quorum.
 8 Nothing acted upon at a Parish meeting shall have any legal operation,
 9 unless the subject matter thereof was inserted in the warrant for such
 10 meeting.

Pub. Stats.
Chap. 88,
§§ 48, 14.
Pub. Stats.
Chap. 88,
§ 12.

VI.

AUTHORITY OF THE RECTOR.

1 The Rector shall have entire control of all things relating to the time
 2 and manner of public worship in the church, the music, the choristers,
 3 and the furniture and arrangement of the chancel, but he shall have no
 4 power to bind the Parish to the payment of money. No person shall
 5 be eligible to the office of Rector, unless he is a qualified minister of
 6 the Protestant Episcopal Church in good standing. The Rector shall
 7 be chosen by the Vestry, at a meeting called for that purpose.

VII.

WARDENS.

1 It shall be the duty of the Wardens to provide the furniture, books,
 2 vestments, and all things necessary for the due celebration of Divine
 3 Service; to collect the alms, and to disburse the same when the Parish
 4 is destitute of a Rector; and, in the absence of the Rector, or during a
 5 vacancy in that office, to provide for the temporary performance of its

6 duties. In case of the absence or disability of either Warden, or of a
7 vacancy in his office, the powers and duties of the Wardens shall de-
8 volve upon the remaining Warden.

VIII.

TREASURER.

1 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect all moneys due to the
2 Parish, and to receive and receipt for all pecuniary gifts and legacies
3 to the same. He shall keep a true record of his receipts and disburse-
4 ments, and present a full statement thereof, and of the financial condi-
5 tion of the Parish, at each annual meeting. He shall pay no sum ex-
6 ceeding ten dollars without the approval of at least one Warden or two
7 Vestrymen, or the standing order of the Parish or the Vestry. He shall
8 give bonds, whenever required by the Vestry, for the faithful perform-
9 ance of his duties.

IX.

CLERK.

1 It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep the records of the Parish and
2 of the Vestry, and also to keep a roll of the members of the Parish en-
3 titled to vote in its affairs.

X.

VESTRY.

Pub. Stats.
Chap. 25,
§ 15, 44.

1 The Vestry shall constitute the Standing Committee of the Parish,
2 and exercise all the powers thereof in accordance with the usage and
3 discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and in compliance with
4 the statutes of the Commonwealth. It shall be the duty of the Vestry
5 to manage the prudential affairs, and to care for the property, of the
6 Parish, to supervise and direct the officers excepting the Rector, in
7 the discharge of their duties, and to audit the accounts of the Treas-
8 urer. Their records shall be open to the examination of members of
9 the Parish at its meetings. Meetings of the Vestry may be called by
10 the Rector, either of the Wardens, or any three members of the Ves-
11 try, but the Vestry may appoint stated meetings and determine the
12 manner of notifying their meetings. The Rector, when present, shall
13 preside.

XI.

AMENDMENTS.

Pub. Stats.
Chap. 25,
§ 12.

1 These By-Laws may be amended at any Parish meeting, by a two-
2 thirds vote of those present, if notice has been given of the amendment
3 proposed at a previous Parish meeting, and if the subject matter thereof
4 is inserted in the warrant calling the meeting at which the amendment
5 is to be adopted. *Provided always,* that no amendment shall ever be
6 made which shall in any degree release the Parish from its allegiance
7 to the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States
8 of America, or the Diocese within the limits of which the Parish may
9 be, nor which shall deduct anything from the qualifications required
10 for eligibility to the office of Rector, or from the rights of the Rector
11 previously defined in these By-Laws.

SECTIONS OF PUBLIC STATUTES RELATING TO RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

PUBLIC STATUTES, CHAPTER 38.

SECT. 4. Persons belonging to a religious society shall be held to be members thereof until they file with the clerk a written notice declaring the dissolution of their membership; but, after filing such notice, they shall not be liable for any grant or contract thereafter made or entered into by such society. No person shall be made a member of such society, without his consent in writing.

SECT. 5. A religious society may make by-laws not repugnant to the laws of the Commonwealth, and may in such by-laws prescribe the manner in which persons may become members.

SECT. 9. Moderators of meetings held for the choice of officers shall be elected by ballot. Clerks, assessors, treasurers, and collectors shall be elected by ballot, and shall be sworn. Other officers shall be elected in such manner as the society may determine.

SECT. 10. The prudential affairs of such societies shall be managed by their assessors, or by a standing committee specially appointed for that purpose; and the assessors or committees shall have like authority for calling meetings, as selectmen have for calling town-meetings.

SECT. 12. The assessors or committee shall insert in their warrant for calling a meeting any matter, the insertion of which five or more qualified voters of the society may, in writing, request. Nothing acted upon at a meeting shall have any legal operation, unless the subject matter thereof was inserted in the warrant for such meeting.

SECT. 14. The clerk, or if there is no clerk, or if he is absent, one of the assessors, or of the standing committee, shall preside in the choice of a moderator; and a clerk may then be chosen, either *pro tempore* or to fill the vacancy, as the case may require. The moderator may administer the oath of office to the clerk, and the clerk to the assessors, treasurer and collector, or said oaths may be administered by a justice of the peace; and such oaths shall be substantially the same as are required to be taken by the clerk, assessors, and collectors of towns.

SECT. 17. Vacancies in any of the annual offices, occurring after the annual meeting, may be filled at any other legal meeting.

ORGANIZATION OF RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES AS CORPORATIONS.

SECT. 24. A religious society that is not incorporated may, if it contains ten or more qualified voters, organize and become a corporation with the powers, privileges, duties, and liabilities of such societies, and may hold so much real and personal estate as may be necessary for the objects of such organization, and no more.

SECT. 25. Any justice of the peace may, upon application in writing by five or more of the qualified voters of such society, issue his warrant directed to some one of the applicants, stating the objects of the proposed meeting, and requiring him to warn the qualified voters of the society to meet at a time and place appointed by the warrant; and such warrant may be served by posting an attested copy thereof on the principal outer door of the meeting-house of such society, or by leaving such copy with, or at the last and usual places of abode of, the qualified voters of the society, seven days at least before such meeting; and upon due return thereof, the same or any other justice of the peace may preside at the meeting for the choice and qualification of a clerk, who shall enter at large upon the records of the society the proceedings had in the organization thereof; and the society may thereupon proceed to choose a moderator, and to do such other things as parishes are by law authorized to do at their annual meetings: *provided* the subject matter thereof is inserted in the warrant.

SECT. 26. Any ten or more persons, male or female, who desire to form a religious society, may make for that purpose an application in writing to a justice of the peace; and such justice may thereupon issue his warrant directed to one of the applicants, stating the objects of the proposed society, and requiring him to warn

said persons to meet at a time and place appointed in the warrant. The warrant shall be issued, served and executed, and the meeting held, in the manner and for the purposes set forth in the preceding section, and such persons, upon complying with the provisions of said section, shall become a corporation under a name to be assumed at such meeting, and with all the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to all the duties, limitations, and restrictions, relating to religious societies.

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCHES.

SECT. 43. In religious societies belonging to the body of Christians known as the Protestant Episcopal Church, the rector or one of the wardens may, unless it is otherwise provided in some by law, preside at their meetings with all the powers of a moderator, and the warden, or wardens and vestry, may exercise all the powers of a standing committee in accordance with the usages and discipline of said Church. Unless they assess or collect a tax on the polls, estates, or pews of the members thereof, such societies need not choose a collector or assessors, and they may in their by-laws provide that the duties of assessors shall be performed by the wardens. The officers upon whom the duties of standing committee or assessors may devolve shall in all cases be elected by ballot.

APPENDIX D.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN IN THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS, MAY 5, A. D. 1885.

THE RT. REV. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D. D., BISHOP, BOSTON.

- The Rev. EDWARD ABBOTT**, Rector of St. James's, North Cambridge, and in charge of St. James's Mission, West Somerville.
The Rev. HENRY AUGUSTUS ADAMS (Deacon), Rector of St. James's, Great Barrington.
The Rev. CHARLES MORRIS ADDISON, Rector Elect of Christ Church, Fitchburg, and Missionary at Winchester.
The Rev. WILLIAM JAMES ALGER, Rector of St. John's, Millville.
The Rev. ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD ALLEN, D. D., Professor in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.
The Rev. FREDERICK BAYLIES ALLEN, Assistant at Trinity, Boston.
The Rev. HENRY FREEMAN ALLEN, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston.
The Rev. AUGUSTINE HEARD AMORY, Rector of Grace, Lawrence.
The Rev. CHARLES ARMY, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's, Salem.
The Rev. JULIUS WALTER ATWOOD, Rector of Ascension, Ipswich.
The Rev. DAVID JACOB AYERS, Rector of Trinity, Haverhill.
The Rev. WILLIAM ROBINSON BARCOCK, D. D., Narragansett Pier, R. I.
The Rev. ARTHUR MANN BACKUS, Rector of St. Paul's, Dedham.
The Rev. LEONIDAS BRADLEY BALDWIN, Rector of St. Mark's, Boston, and Examining Chaplain.
The Rev. CHARLES DOUGLAS BARBOUR, Florida.
The Rev. JOHN S. BEERS, General Missionary of the Diocese, Natick.
The Rev. EDWARD BENEDICT, Assistant at Church of the Advent, Boston.
The Rev. GEORGE STEPHEN BENNETT, Rector of All Saints', Dorchester, Boston.
The Rev. JOHN ALMA BEVINGTON, in charge of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Wareham, and St. John's, Sandwich.
The Rev. SHEPHERD BILLINGS (Deacon), Assistant at Groton School, Groton.
The Rev. NATHAN K. BISHOP, Rector of Emmanuel, Somerville.
The Rev. HARRY INNES BODLEY, Rector of St. John's, North Adams.
The Rev. LEVERETT BRADLEY, Rector of Christ Church, Andover.
The Rev. JOHN COTTON BROOKS, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.
The Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS, D. D., Rector of Trinity, Boston.
The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY BROOKS, S. T. D., officiating at St. Andrew's, Hanover, and Secretary of the Convention.
The Rev. ABBOTT BROWN, New York.
The Rev. PERCY BROWNE, Rector of St. James's, Roxbury, Boston.
The Rev. WILLIAM PECK BRUSH, Rector of St. John's, Northampton.
The Rev. GEORGE HICKMAN BUCK, Missionary at Grace, South Boston.
The Rev. FRANCIS GUILD BURGESS, Rector of St. John's, Worcester.
The Rev. WALDO BURNETT, officiating at St. Mark's, Southborough.
The Rev. JOHN THOMPSON BURRILL, Chelsea.

- The Rev. ELI HAWLEY CANFIELD, D. D., Arlington, Vt.
 The Rev. HIRSH CARLETON, D. D., East Sandwich.
 The Rev. NATHAN H. CHAMBERLAIN, in charge of St. John's, East Boston.
 The Rev. ALBERT ST. JOHN CHAMBERLAIN, D. D., Rector of St. Anne's, Lowell.
 The Rev. ARTHUR WELLSBURY CHAPMAN, Australia.
 The Rev. WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHENEY, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Dedham.
 The Rev. JONAS B. CLARKE, Chaplain City Institutions, South Boston.
 The Rev. GEORGE SHERMAN CONVERSE, Rector of St. John's, Roxbury, Boston.
 The Rev. JAMES IVERS THEODORE COOLIDGE, D. D., Cambridge.
 The Rev. HENRY EVAN COTTON, Rector of Christ Church, Quincy.
 The Rev. FREDERICK CORTNEY, S. T. D., Rector of St. Paul's, Boston, and Examining Chaplain.
 The Rev. JEREMIAH JEWETT CRESKEY, Rector of The House of Prayer, Lowell, and in charge of All Saints', Chelmsford.
 The Rev. EDWARD SILVAIN CROSS.
 The Rev. HERBERT NOEL CUNNINGHAM, Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Westfield, and in charge of St. Philip's, Easthampton.
 The Rev. LOUIS DE COHMIS, Rector of St. Stephen's, Lynn.
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II.

List of Parishes, Chapels, and Missions.

JULY 1, A. D. 1885.

I.

PARISHES IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Adams, St. Mark's.	Hanover, St. Andrew's.
Amesbury, St. James's.	Haverhill, Trinity.
Amherst, Grace.	Holyoke, St. Paul's.
Andover, Christ.	Hopkinton, St. Paul's.
Arlington, St. John's.	Hyde Park, Christ.
Ashfield, St. John's.	Ipswich, Ascension.
Beverly, St. Peter's.	Lanesborough, St. Luke's.
Boston, Advent.	Lawrence, Grace.
" (Dorchester), All Saints'.	" St. John's.
" Christ.	Lee, St. George's.
" Emmanuel.	Lenox, Trinity.
" Good Shepherd.	Lincoln, St. Anne's.
" Messiah.	Longwood, Our Saviour.
" (Highlands), St. James's.	Lowell, The House of Prayer.
" (Charlestown), St. John's.	" St. Anne's.
" (East), St. John's.	" St. John's.
" (Highlands), St. John's.	Lynn, St. Stephen's.
" (Jamaica Plain), St. John's.	Malden, St. Paul's.
" (Brighton), St. Margaret's.	Marblehead, St. Michael's.
" St. Mark's.	Medford, Grace.
" (Dorchester), St. Mary's.	Melrose, Trinity.
" St. Mary's for Sailors.	Milford, Trinity.
" (South), St. Matthew's.	Millville, St. John's.
" St. Paul's.	Nantucket, St. Paul's.
" Trinity.	Natick, St. Paul's.
Bridgewater, Trinity.	New Bedford, Grace.
Brookline, St. Paul's.	Newburyport, St. Paul's.
Cambridge, Christ.	Newton, Grace.
" St. James's.	" (West and Auburndale), Mes-
" St. Peter's.	siah.
Chelsea, St. Luke's.	" (Lower Falls), St. Mary's.
Chicopee, Grace.	North Adams, St. John's.
Clinton, Good Shepherd.	Northampton, St. John's.
Danvers, Calvary.	North Attleborough, Grace.
Dedham (Oakdale), Good Shepherd.	Oxford, Grace.
" St. Paul's.	Pittsfield, St. Stephen's.
Easthampton, St. Philip's.	Plymouth, Christ.
Fall River, Ascension.	Quincy, Christ.
" St. John's.	Rochdale, Christ.
Fiskdale, Grace.	Salem, Grace.
Fitchburg, Christ.	" St. Peter's.
Framingham, St. John's.	Sheffield, Christ.
Gloucester, St. John's.	Somerville, Emmanuel.
Great Barrington, St. James's.	" (East), St. Thomas's.
Greenfield, St. James's.	South Groveland, St. James's.

Southborough, St. Mark's.
 Springfield, Christ.
 Stockbridge St. Paul's.
 Swansea, Christ.
 Taunton, St. John's.
 St. Thomas's.
 Van Deusenville, Trinity.
 Wakefield, Emmanuel.
 Waltham, Christ.

Webster, Reconciliation.
 Westfield, Atonement.
 Weymouth, Trinity.
 Wilkinsonville, St. John's.
 Woburn, Trinity.
 Wood's Holl, Messiah.
 Worcester, All Saints'.
 " St. Matthew's.
 Wrentham, Trinity

Total number, 106.

II.

ORGANIZED PARISHES NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Boston (Dorchester), St. Ann's.
 Chelmsford, All Saints'.
 Fall River, St. James's.
 Linden, St. Luke's.
 Methuen, St. Thomas's.

New Bedford, St. James's.
 Newton Highlands, St. Paul's.
 Otis, St. Paul's.
 Waltham, Ascension.
 Worcester, St. John's.

Total number, 10.

III.

CHAPELS AND MISSIONS.

Athol
 Barnstable.
 Berkshire.
 Boston (South), Chapel of the Church Home
 " South, Grace
 Mattapan, Church of the Holy Spirit
 " St. Andrews
 " St. Augustine's
 " St. John the Evangelist's
 Chapel of St. Luke's Home.
 " South St. Matthew's Chapel of the Episcopal City Mission.
 " St. Stephen's
 Brockton, St. Paul's.
 Cambridge, Ascension
 " St. John's Memorial (Episcopal Theological School).
 Canton.
 Cherry Valley St. Thomas's.
 Concord, Trinity
 Cottage City, Trinity.
 Duxbury.
 East Braintree.

Fall River, St. Mark's.
 Gardner, St. Paul's.
 Groton.
 Haverhill, St. John the Evangelist's.
 Hingham, St. John the Evangelist's.
 Lexington, The Redeemer
 Manchester, Emmanuel.
 Marion
 Mattapoisett, St. Philip of Bethsaida's
 Medway, Christ
 Millbury, St. Philip's.
 North Andover, St. Paul's
 Peabody, St. Paul's
 Sandwich, St. John's
 Saugus, St. John's
 Shelburne Falls, Emmanuel Memorial.
 South Framingham
 South Lee.
 Vineyard Haven, Grace.
 Wareham, Good Shepherd
 Watertown.
 West Somerville, St. James's
 Williamstown, St. John's.
 Winchester, Epiphany

Total number, 45.

APPENDIX E.

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MAY, A. D. 1885.

I.

Officers of the Diocese.

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THE RT. REV. BENJAMIN HENRY PADDOCK, D. D.
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Preacher before the next Meeting of the Convention.

The Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRÉ, D. D., Rector of St. Anne's Church, Lowell.

Substitute.

The Rev. GEO. ZABRISKIE GRAY, D. D., Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge.

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The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE, <i>Secretary.</i>	

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Committee on the Revision of the Form of Parochial Report.

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The Rev. LEANDER C. MANCHESTER.

Committee on the Drafting of Canon to secure Uniformity in the Method of Registering Communicants.

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The Rev. HENRY A. METCALF.

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Committee on the Payment of the Travelling Expenses of the Bishop of the Diocese, incurred in his Official Visitations.

The Rev. GEORGE S. CONVERSE.

The Rev. LEIGHTON PARKS.

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WM HENRY BROOKS,
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[Form of Certificate of Lay Delegates to the Diocesan Convention.]

Diocese of Massachusetts.

A. D. 188.....



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....., A. D. 188.....

This is to Certify, That, at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church, convened according to the laws of the Parish, [*or at a meeting of the Parish of..... Church, duly convened,*] held on the..... day of....., A. D. 188....., the following persons, viz.,—

Messrs.

.....

.....¹
..... were duly appointed Lay Delegates to represent this parish in the..... Annual meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Massachusetts, to be held in....., in the..... of....., on the..... day of....., A. D. 188....; that this appointment was made in pursuance of the requirements of Title I., Canon 2, Section II., of the Canons of the Diocese; and that they are stated worshippers in this Parish.

....., *Warden,*

....., *Warden, or,²*

....., *Parish Clerk.*

¹ The names should be written *very legibly*. The baptismal name should be given in *full*, not initials merely.

² "*Substitute*" delegates cannot be received.

³ Should be signed by *both* Wardens or Parish Clerk.

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YEAR 1884-85.

Clergy (Bishop, 1; Priests, 155; Deacons, 14)	170
Clergy deceased	3
Clergy received	18
Clergy transferred	15
Ordinations (Deacons, 11; Priests, 4)	15
Candidates for Holy Orders (Order of Deacon, 2; Order of Priest, 27)	29
Lay Readers	47
Churches consecrated	8
Churches or Chapels opened without Consecration	6
Churches or Chapels in building	5
Parishes in Union with the Convention	108
Organized Parishes not in Union with the Convention	10
Chapels and Missions	45
Baptisms (infants, 1,922; adults, 390; not specified, 10)	2,322
Confirmations	1,262
Communicants (added, 1,033; died or removed, 913), present number	21,271
Marriages	744
Funerals	1,478
Sunday-School Officers and Scholars	17,881
Contributions for Religious Purposes (within the Parish, 533,- 791.61; without the Parish, 72,452.47)	\$606,244.08

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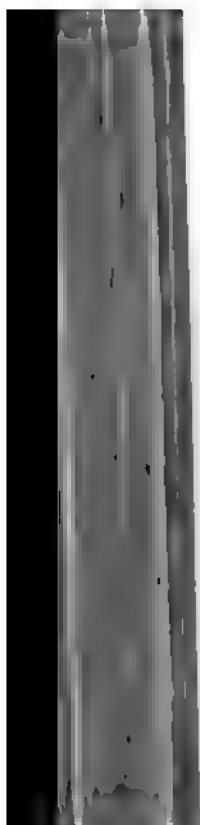
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